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LOCAL JOTTINGS.

Kansas are ripening.

Roses have blossomed.

Abel & Locke continue to sell stylish carpets at the very lowest living prices.

Rumors of a notable wedding soon are rife.

Robert McWade in "Rip Van Winkle," with a first class support, at the opera house Dec. 24. Christmas eve.

Swearing off time will soon be at hand. Write down your good resolutions and have them ready.

Twelve new and serviceable cane bottom chairs have been placed in the circuit court room for the use of the petit jurors.

The Baptists of Antioch Church are making extensive preparations for a grand holiday fair and festival.

The county lodge I. O. G. T., will be held at the hall of Decatur Lodge, on Tuesday Dec. 11th.

The Jones Chapel folks will give them ... at the tabernacle Tuesday evening, December 10th. Good music has been engaged for the occasion.

Get physicians prescriptions filled at W. C. Armstrong's drug store where an experienced druggist is regularly employed.

Illinois was assessed on 2,799,051 hogs this year, which shows it to be the most piggish State in the Union, as well as the most corned of all the States.

Don't select Christmas presents until you have seen Curtis & Ewing's Elegant Stock of Goods. Dec 10d5t w1

The people know it that Abel & Locke sell carpets at the very lowest living prices.

Celluloid goods very nice for Christmas presents at W. C. Armstrong's drug store.

On Friday January 2d, 1880, J. R. Race will have a grand give away drawing will take place. Have you got a ticket.

All the latest novelties in house furnishing goods at the exclusive carpet house of Abel & Locke.

The next attraction of interest to theatre goers is the Agnes Wallace Villa combination at the opera house Dec. 22 and 23 in "Banker's Daughter" and "Frou Frou."

The season for coughs and colds is now upon us. Dr. Marshall's Lung Syrup is the greatest specific of the day. Call at drug store and try it. Price 25 cents, 50 cents and $1 a bottle. Sold by Decatur druggists. s-d&w1w

Since 1855 up to Oct. 31, 1879, the Illinois Central railroad company has paid into the state treasury the sum of $6,018,... The gross earnings of the road for the same period ... $106,101,417 41.

Victoria Park ... concert and fair and festival by Stapp's Chapel Social Union at the tabernacle on Thursday evening of this week. All are invited to attend.

Notice ... in the running time on the Illinois Midland road took effect on Sunday. Hereafter passenger trains going east will leave at 1:0 p. m., going west at 1 p. m.

The Republican is indebted to Hon. ... for the Congressional Record the last two sessions of Congress, also the Agricultural Report for 1878. The Congressional Record will be convenient and useful in the next campaign.

We are requested to state that the East ... Mission Sunday School will have a large Christmas tree at "Brush College," Spangler's School House, 2½ miles east of Decatur, on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24th. The public generally are cordially invited to be present.

Geo. Miller has the finest, largest, fattest, juiciest shell oysters ever brought to Decatur. Try them, if you want to experience the sensation that never comes to a man except when a luscious oyster is sliding down his throat.

A subscriber says the county bridge that spans the Sangamon river near the water works is in a dangerous condition and is sadly in need of immediate attention by the commissioners of highways. It is a covered bridge, and the top leans over to the east at both ends about six inches, and the flooring is also in bad shape. It is believed that one of the timbers that rests upon the stone pier at one end of the bridge is rotting or has moved from its original position, to the imminent danger of the entire structure. It is a matter that calls for immediate action and it should be attended to without a moment's delay.

The State Horticultural Association of Illinois will assemble at the Normal University on Tuesday, Dec. 9th, the session to continue three days. A number of the most noted horticulturists, naturalists and meteorologists of the state will be present, and the exercises will be of genuine and thorough interest to the public. Henry W. Davis, of Long Creek, will represent Macon county, and will invite the association to hold its next annual meeting in Decatur.

H. Dow, charged with being a traveling quack doctor, is in the county jail awaiting the action of the grand jury. He had a hearing before Justice Jones at Maroa on Saturday on the charge of advertising to effect abortions. The evidence against him is pretty plain, as he wrote a letter to a Maroa young lady saying that he could relieve her of a burden without danger to her life.

We are pleased to notice that the sale of reserved seats for Wendell Phillips on "Street Life in Europe," at the opera house Saturday evening, Dec. 20th, is quite large, although the lecture is ten days off. Doubtless every seat in the hall will be taken, and those who wish seats had better make their selections at Curtis & Ewing's before it is too late.

A special election will be held in Long Creek township on Saturday Dec. 13 for the office of constable to fill a vacancy caused by the removal of Al. Cochrane to Assumption in Christian county. The candidates are Samuel M. Brewer, John M. Hughes, James Myers and Jacob Albert. The polling place is at Long Creek School House.

The Problem of Life at present with Stookey & Co., at the City Book Store, is, How can we make room to display our immense stock of Holiday goods? They are offering *bargains* in order to get room for more that are coming.

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A new brick office has lately been added to the extensive flouring mill of George Priest & Co. on East Main street. It has been fitted up in elegant style, and the genial bookkeeper, Mr. John C. Latsbaugh, is as happy as a young married man. The addition is a noticeable sign of prosperity, and is a great convenience to the public as well as the firm.

The holiday number of *Stapp's Chapel Herald*, edited by the pastor, Rev. G. W. Miller is out. It is a sixteen page edition, and is overflowing with original Christmas articles and other matter of special interest. The edition numbers 2,000 copies, and was issued from this office.

The closing of the saloons has not had the effect to make our streets less muddy in a wet time, and the beer wagons perambulate our thoroughfares and the kegs roll off into the mud and splash the unlucky pedestrian who happens to be in the vicinity—just the same as they did when the saloons were in full blast.

The Sterling *Gazette* of last week says that Bro. Jake Hoofstitler has been conducting a series of very successful temperance meetings at that place and at Rock Falls. At one of the meetings ten notorious drunkers came forward and signed the pledge. "Bro. Jake" is assisted by Mason Long of Champaign.

One of New York's prominent chemists, Mr. Albert C. Dung, of Bowery, says St. Jacobs Oil cured a well known auctioneer and many other prominent citizens of Rheumatism. It is a reliable remedy.

The finest *Upright and Square Pianos* ever brought to this city can be seen and bought cheap at C. B. Prescott's City Music Store. (10 d&w1

Those novel camp chairs, rattan chairs and gents' rockers, at Ashby & Andress, in opera block, are perfect beauties, and sell at astonishingly low prices.

Dec. 10 d&w1

Remember the young ladies of the Presbyterian Church will give a fair and festival at the tabernacle on Friday evening, Dec. 19th.

One of the very best nickel cigars in Decatur is the "Telephone," sold only at W. C. Armstrong's popular drug store.

Every one should see the *handsome display* at Curtis & Ewing's jewelry store. Dec. 10—d5tw1

Ashby & Andress, in opera block, have just received the finest lot of center tables ever displayed in Decatur.

Dec 10—d3t w1

Lesson Notes for 1880.

The best help for Sunday school teachers. For sale by J. M. Stookey & Co. Dec. 10—d&w2w

Sale of Cemetery Lots.

There will be a sale of lots at Mt. Gilead Cemetery, on Thursday, Dec. 18, 1879, at 10 o'clock A. M. w1

FAIR AND FESTIVAL

CHRISTMAS TREES.

To the Temperance People of Macon County

The temperance people of Decatur propose to have a Fair and Festival at the tabernacle, commencing on the 24th of December, and to continue several days, the proceeds to be used in paying the debt on the tabernacle.

The object is a good one, and it is hoped that all people interested in the advancement of so noble a cause as temperance, in the lifting up of the fallen and pointing out a better life and a more noble manhood, in removing from our midst the dens of infamy and vice which have grown and fattened on the hard earnings of the unfortunate and filled our prisons, workhouses and paupers' homes, in helping to bring about that better day when drunkenness, crime and all attendant evils following the indiscriminate sale of intoxicating liquors, will respond to this call to the extent of their ability.

The farmers of Macon county are requested to assist in the way of provisions. Roasted pigs, turkeys and chickens, fresh eggs, butter and milk, cabbage and in fact anything good to eat will be thankfully received.

Those wishing to donate articles will please bring their contributions to the tabernacle on the 24th, 25th or 26th.

Committees have been appointed to canvass the city for articles of food, fancy work, etc., and it is hoped that all our good people will consider it a duty to assist in this cause as much as possible. All who can do so will please bring their contributions to the tabernacle.

CHRISTMAS TREES

There will be two large Christmas trees at the tabernacle on Christmas eve—one for the Cold Water Army, and the other for the general public. All who wish to make Christmas presents to their relatives or friends are requested to bring them in in time to have them placed on the trees before the night of the 24th.

The following named gentlemen are requested to solicit donations in their respective neighborhoods, and to do what they can to make this fair and festival a success:

Mt. Zion—S. Mahannah, Jas. Durning.
Wheatland—Wm. Deakins, Jos. Dawson.
Macon—Rev. J. W. Cecil, Benj. Hight.
Long Creek—Milton Clark, James P. Nichols.
Oakley—Thos. W. Berry, Jas. Jackson.
Whitmore—Richard Kirby, Paul Noble.
Hickory—Sol. Williamson, Wm. Holman.
Maroa—John H. Crocker.
Warrensburg—Z. Boughn, Geo. Goodner.
Harristown—Rev. Mr. Goode.
Friends Creek—D. K. Wilson.
Niantic—Thos. A. Pritchett.
Blue Mound—F. Y. Taylor, F. A. Brown.
Pleasant View—George Demery.

By order of BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

A Fact

Easily demonstrated is That we can show as complete a line of Hosiery as was ever displayed in Decatur, and at prices never before quoted for a similar class of goods. We offer to day

200 dozens fancy, children and baby stockings at 5c a pair.

150 dozens misses hose in handsome patterns, at 10c a pair or 3 pairs for a quarter.

100 dozens plain solid colored mostly cardinal and seal brown all wool (including yarn) misses hose, at 15c, 20c, 25c and 30c a pair and upwards.

In regular made hosiery, for ladies, misses and children we show a full line and offer genuine bargains. We solicit an inspection of our hosiery.

D&w1w CHEAP STORE.

Macon County Agricultural Board

There will be a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Macon County Agricultural Board, on Monday, Dec. 15, 1879 at 10 o'clock a. m., at the court house for the transaction of important business. By order

J. R. MILLER, Pres't

M. B. THOMAS, Sec.

If you are thinking of buying a Bible don't throw away money buying from agents, but go to Stookey & Co.'s and select one from their stock of fifty or more different styles, and save about one half your money. The same advice will apply in the purchase of books of all descriptions, pictures, albums, etc.

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Boiling Springs School

Report of Boiling Springs School, for the month ending Dec. 5, 1879.

Neither absent nor tardy—Julia Daly, Dora Good, Louie Good, Libbie Trimmer, Emma Lewis.

Absent and unexcused—Grant Trimmer.

Tardy—Willie Lehman.

Whole number enrolled, 21.

Daily average attendance, 15 01.

E. E. LOWRY, Teacher.

When you see a baby, which you know to have suffered for a long time with Summer Complaint or Dysentery, suddenly improve and grow fat and healthy, you can rest assured that Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup has been used.

Corsets.

The best in the land, for the least money. CHEAP STORE.

8-d&w1w

MISSION WORK AT HOME.

Reopening of the "Rolling Mill Chapel" as a House of Prayer by the Episcopalians—A Reproach Removed.

From Monday's Daily

Through the influence of Col. and Mrs. Harris, who donated the lot on which the building stands, the Baptist congregation caused to be erected the house of worship on East Eldorado street, which has been known as the "Rolling Mill Chapel."—This was in 1871, and at a time when the eastern part of the city was rapidly filling up mostly with employes of the old rolling mill. Religious services were held there up to within 15 months ago, and since that time owing to neglect or some other cause the building has been closed and deserted. Religion has a strong foothold in Decatur, and the fact that this chapel was closed, has long been a reproach to the Christian people of the city. Feeling that some society ought to reopen the chapel, and thus furnish the people of that part of the city a convenient place of worship, and give the little children a home Sabbath School, St. John's Episcopal congregation purchased the building, named it "A House of Prayer," expended a considerable sum of money in fitting it up in a suitable manner, and on Sunday last the first religious services were held there by that society. Every available seat in the church was occupied and the attendance of children at the Sunday School, held at 2:30 p. m., was quite large—larger than was expected.

The opening exercises at the Sabbath School were conducted by Rev. Walter H. Moore, rector of St. John's church, and remarks were made by Rev. Mr. McPharen and Gen. R. J. Oglesby. The opening song was "Nearer, My God, to Thee," with Miss M. Burrows at the organ.

Gen. Oglesby's remarks were to the children present, and he told the little boys and girls that each should first learn the name of the other, and it will be remembered through life. This commencement day is one of more than ordinary importance. It is a pleasant epoch in the lives of the little children. Those present are charter members, and they will never forget that fact. We are all children, some pretty large and rather old, but none the less children. The world is full of wonders and amazements, and everything is lovely and beautiful and musical to those who read the Bible and love the Lord.—Study the Bible and you will learn much, and when you get larger and older you will learn of the arts and sciences, etc., when new wonders will greet you. Much may be learned in the Sabbath School, where none but good impressions of the present and future life are received. The speaker then referred to the historical features of the Bible, telling about the ten commandments, and how they were written on stones, and urged the children to attend Sabbath School regularly, listen to the teachings of the young men and women who come to teach out of kindness and affection. It would do the children good, as it has done many who have lived and passed away forever. The general then told about the first Sabbath School he ever attended. It was at Terre Haute, Ind., when he was quite a little boy, and the first song that was sung was "Nearer, My God, to Thee." That was a great many years ago, but he would never forget that school and the kind gentleman who invited him to attend. It was quite an interesting address and commanded the closest attention of the children as well as the adults.

The Sunday School was dismissed after singing "Jesus, Lover of My Soul."

The dedicatory sermon was delivered by Rev. Walter H. Moore who is pastor of the charge. It consumed about twenty minutes in its delivery, and was quite appropriate to the day and occasion.

Sunday School and public services will be held in the House of Prayer every Sunday afternoon and all are invited to attend and help to make the new place of worship a power for good in that part of the city.

An Arm Off.

Late Saturday evening Drs. Walston and Bumstead assisted by James Prestley and Will Rogers amputated the left arm of a traveling man named Wm. Morris, of Lincoln at the Riley House. The arm was taken off half way between the shoulder and elbow and was made necessary because of the existence of a cancerous sore near the wrist. The operation was very successfully performed, and the gentleman was resting comfortably this morning. He was a lieutenant in the late war, in the company of which Bogardus, the shootist, was captain. Mr. Morris and his brother are the manufacturers of the celebrated "Morris Mouse Trap," put up at Cincinnati.

Elected for 1880.

The following are the newly elected officers of the Odd Fellows Lodges named, whose terms of office under the new article in the constitution, as presented by H. B. Durfee, and adopted by the Grand Lodge at Galesburg last month, will be for one year:

Decatur Lodge No. 65—Andrew Seller, N. G.; W. A. Dennis, V. G.; R. S. Woodruff, R. S.; A. R. Arbuckle, P. S.; Geo. Hunsley, Treas.

Celestial Lodge No. 186—F. Pahmyer, N. G.; Geo. Riebsamen, V. G.; J. L. Peake, R. S.; T. L. Antrim, P. S.; I. W. Ehrman, Treas.

Petit Jurors

Summoned to serve at the third and fourth weeks of the Macon county circuit court, commencing Monday, Dec. 15th:

Adam Harruff, Whitmore
Joseph Cooper, "
Louis Houck, "
Sam'l McConnell, "
John Acom, "
John Lyons, "
Henry Stoat, "
George Weaver, Long Creek
George Cooper, Wheatland.
Charles Boardman, "
M. C. Coburn, Illini
E. Major, "
E. Batchelder, "
W. H. Hartman, Maroa
A. Long, "
William Grady, "
L. W. Hill, "
Mathias Zetral, Blue Mound
Thomas Cann, Harristown
Charles M. Currier, Friends Creek
A. H. Jones, Friends Creek
Moses R. Fesler, "
Charles Minnich, "
Anton Beschel, Macon
C. Burrows, "
Harvey Richards, "
John A. Beatty
George Lewis, Hickory
James Boyd, Niantic
Daniel Moore, "
Michael Fry, Oakley
William Hiser, "
Daniel P. Davidson, Mt. Zion

Late Real Estate Sales.

Transfers filed for record since our last report:

Jeremiah Lynch to Patrick Finnigan, lot in South Macon—$180.

Emily J. and John H. Myers to E. D. Donalson, lot in Carver's Addition and two lots in Plant & Tuttle's Addition to Decatur—$1,040.

Patrick Clark to William Clark, 10 acres of land in Decatur township—$500.

H. W. Scribner to John J. Johnson, 160 acres in Milam township—$7,000.

DeWitt C. Leib to W. F. Rector, 80 acres in Mt. Zion township—$1,600.

Homer H. Hoover to Edward Hubbard, 220 acres in Austin township—$5,000.

Wm. L. Hubbard to James A. Bothel, lot in North Addition to Decatur—$200.

Wm. H. Mitchell to E. W. Moore, business lot north of Priest's Hotel—$1,000.

L. C. Farnham to Martha A. Blackford, two lots in S. W. Brock's Addition to Niantic—$200.

John Z. Brothers to Thos. J. Fleming, 80 acres in Macon township—$1,400.

Result of the Special Election.

The proposition to reorganize the city under the new charter got a black eye on Monday. Following is the result:

	For	Against	For minority repr'n	Against minority repr'n
First Ward	25	180	12	165
Second "	48	150	16	67
Third "	50	131	24	107
Fourth "	26	177	21	138
Fifth "	1	111	11	90
Total,	161	747	84	576
Majorities against		586		492

Those "Steers."

An important sale of 30 head of cattle took place at Harristown, in this county, on Tuesday. The cattle were bought by Mr. Henry C. Allen and fattened through two seasons, and were sold to Messrs. Hall & Dolby, of Mechanicsburg, for $2,280 45. The average weight of the 30 head was 1604 pounds. They were raised from calves by Mr. Allen, and the record shows that he understands his chosen calling thoroughly. Henry is a young man, of thorough business qualifications, and we think with his many friends that he is destined to become one of the leading stock raisers of the county. The cattle sold were shipped to Chicago last evening.

PERSONAL MENTION.

J. H. Jackson, formerly of Hannibal, Mo., is now an efficient salesman in R. Laddle's queensware store.

W. M. Tipton, formerly of this city, is now sojourning in Pueblo, Colorado. He reports business as flourishing.

Charles Cox, late of a St. Louis dry goods house, is a new salesman at F. L. Hays & Co.'s.

R. Ashby will probably take possession of his new house on East Eldorado street this week.

Henry Bishop, of this city, has been selected to serve as a petit juror at the January term, 1880, of the United States Court at Springfield.

We happened into Curtis & Ewing's Jewelry Store this morning and were amazed to see such an extensive and elegant display of tempting things. Their store is positively stuffed full. Read their Holiday notice.

Horses Wanted.

Take notice of the days for buying, Thursday, 18th, Friday, 19th, Saturday, 20th, and Monday, 22d, at 37 North Church street, Decatur, Ill. Good fat, well matched carriage and draft teams, or prompt, well broken single drivers, weighing from 1,000 to 1,500 pounds each, from five to ten years old, for which fair prices will be paid in cash.

10-d6w2w E. B. PRATT.

Don't Forget

That we have about 50 dozens solid colored, ladies', misses' and children's all wool yarn hose—number one goods, cheap. CHEAP STORE.

8-d&w1w

Buckwheat cakes and 'lasses—yum, yum.

MASS MEETING OF CITIZENS

Held at the Court House Last Night—Resolutions Adopted Affecting the Railroad Interests of Decatur.

From Wednesday's Daily

A mass meeting of the citizens of Decatur was held at the court house last night.

Those present at the meeting were John Ullrich, W. A. Barnes, A. T. Hill, J. R. Race, Jerome Anderson, Jason Rogers, H. W. Hill, A. W. Conklin, George M. Wood, Isaac Shellabarger, K. H. Roby, W. Niedermyer, Benj. Dill, Rev. F. W. Niedermyer, A. Kramer, J. A. Miller, W. H. Bramble, M. Stafford, E. B. Pratt, Amos Conklin, J. E. Kinney, I. W. Ehrman, D. J. Block, Wm. L. Hammer, T. B. Albert, Fred Kuny, D. E. Lewis, James Millikin, Frank Priest, Hon. B. K. Durfee, B. Z. Taylor, Allen Scott, J. A. Stevens, E. Luttrell, Jesse Leforgee, V. H. Parke, Dr. J. S. King, Wm. Newell, John A. Barnes, Thos. L. Antrim, J. J. Peddecord, F. W. Haines, Park Hammer, Chas. S. Adams, Capt. Geo. S. Durfee, George E. Lary, agent Ind., Decatur & Springfield R. R., David Patterson, Wilson Gage, J. C. Campbell, Charles P. Thatcher, H. B. Lewis, James C. Lake, H. E. Foster, J. M. Clokey, J. S. Carter, Theo. Nelson, D. H. Heilman, Charles Laux, F. W. Anderson, A. F. Jameson, Phillip Vogel, C. P. Housum, Chas. L. Griswold, W. H. Linn, Dr. R. L. Walston, S. Burgess, F. Korsmyer, C. W. Whitsit, Hamilton Fenton, and many others.

Hon. A. T. Hill, Chairman citizens' committee, called the meeting to order.

Hon. Wm. A. Barnes was called to preside, and K. H. Roby, Esq., to act as secretary.

Hon. B. K. Durfee stated that the object of the meeting was to take into consideration the location of the Indianapolis and Kansas City Air Line Railway through the city of Decatur, and in relation to the location of the division headquarters of the Wabash, St. Louis and Pacific Railway at Decatur.

The following resolution, offered by W. H. Bramble, Esq., and seconded by Hon. B. K. Durfee, was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, The question whether Decatur can be made a *division headquarters* on the *new Wabash line*, is one of *the greatest importance*, therefore

Resolved, That his Honor, the Mayor, and the city council be and are hereby requested to appoint a committee to confer with the managers of said Wabash Railway to ascertain their views and to take such action as they may deem best for the interests of the city in said behalf.

The following resolutions were offered by John Ullrich, Esq., and seconded by Moses Stafford, and unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, The completion of the I., D. & S. R'y from Decatur to Indianapolis, a long delayed event anxiously looked for as a most important factor in our railway system, is within a few weeks to be realized as a fact accomplished, and simultaneous with the news of its near completion, we also learn that which gives the said fact a much greater significance, viz: That the extension of the said railway west has been determined upon, the locating engineer corps being now on the field for that purpose, and the building of the line to Roodhouse to be entered upon without delay, connecting with the Chicago and Alton Kansas City Line, the new organization being known as the Indianapolis and Kansas City Air Line, being a shorter line between said points than any other by nearly 40 miles, and not only so, but forming a link in the great new route from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast via the Pennsylvania Central lines to Indianapolis on the east, and the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe lines west from Kansas City, and

WHEREAS, Every intelligent and reflecting citizen of Decatur cannot fail to realize the fact that the *location* of this *prospective* great highway of travel and transportation has very much to do with the future of our city, and;

WHEREAS, The *reality* of the danger of Decatur being left off of the main line of said railway—just nine miles—calls for prompt and proper action on the part of our citizens, therefore

Resolved, That every encouragement by all possible means should be given to the managers of said enterprise, and we do hereby most earnestly solicit the immediate and serious consideration of the emergency by his Honor, the Mayor and our city council, that such measures may be adopted as will assure the company of the good will of our citizens and their appreciation of the importance of the enterprise, to the end that Decatur, now the terminus of the I., D. & S. R'y, shall also be the initial point of the Indianapolis and Kansas City Air Line.

On motion the secretary was instructed to deliver a copy of the proceedings of the meeting to the city council, and send copies of proceedings to the managers of the Wabash, St. Louis and Pacific Railway and the Indianapolis and Kansas City Air Line Railway.

On motion the secretary was instructed to furnish a copy of the proceedings of this meeting to the city papers for publication.

After some general discussion as to the railroad interests of Decatur, the meeting adjourned. K. H. ROBY, Sec.

Christmas Gift.

Prescott, the Boss Music Dealer, is selling from six to ten instruments per week. Now is the time to get one at a bargain. 10-d3w1

A nice fitting shoe is what every lady wants and should have. You can get them at BARBER & BAKER'S.

Nov. 26—d&wtf

MARRIED.

Monday evening, Dec. 8, 1879, by Thos. B. Albert, J. P., Mr. Wm. Groves and Miss Louisa Johnson, and Mr. Joseph Allen and Miss Alice Johnson, all of Macon county.

Make your wife a Christmas present of a handsome carpet, and buy it at Abel & Locke's.

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Entered at the post office at Decatur, Illinois, as second class mail matter.

THURSDAY, DEC. 11, 1879.

GENERAL SHERMAN'S official announcement to the army of the death of General Jeff C. Davis says that "his fame and history belong to the whole army, and the flags of all military posts will be displayed at half mast the day after the receipt of this order. General Sheridan will give the orders necessary to mark the respect in which this honored soldier was universally held by the army."

PRESIDENT HAYES, in conversation about his financial views in his message, is reported to have said that he failed to see that there was any ground for dissension in the party on this account. He had his views; members of congress had theirs. They were the law-making power. He could only suggest and recommend. He had expressed his views, and he had no fault to find with congress for not thinking as he did on this question.

SENATOR BAYARD, it seems, is the first to follow the lead of Hayes and Sherman on the question of taking the legal tender quality from the greenback. He introduced in the senate yesterday the following joint resolution:

"That from and after the passage of this resolution the Treasury notes of the United States shall be receivable for all dues to the United States, excepting duties on imports, and shall not be otherwise legal tender, and may be reissued as now provided by law, and shall bear a superscription to that effect."

So the first boost this anti greenback scheme gets is from a candidate for the Democratic nomination for president. And that party has for the past couple of years been shouting itself hoarse, in proclaiming its great love for the greenback.

TOO MUCH indulgence of the appetite at the dinner table on Thanksgiving day, if the turkey be very fat and the mince pie especially nice, does not fit a man to write humorous editorials. A Southern Democratic newspaper endeavored to throw off something funny about the next presidential election, when the editor was struck by the Grant boom, with the following melancholy result:

That struggle, beyond all doubt, must end either in a glorious triumph for civil liberty and the preservation of the Government of the fathers and for peace and good will among all sections, or it must end in the blackness of the darkness of Radicalism, in the midst of whose night of despair will wave forever the bloody shirt of sectional hate, and along whose mournful border the only light that can give its poor comfort to a blinded and burdened people will be the miserable mockery that may gleam from its gory bayonets.

HOME AGAIN.

The Bloomington *Leader* of yesterday has the following piece of intelligence:

Yesterday Col. and Mrs. George Scroggs, son in law and daughter of Mr. Peter Folsom of this city arrived in New York, on the steamship Suevia. Colonel Scroggs, who is U. S. Consul at Hamburg, Germany, was granted a leave of absence, and expects to spend a month or two in Florida, being in poor health. They go from New York to Washington, where Col Scroggs will arrange some diplomatic business, and Mrs. Scroggs will probably come from there to her home in this city for a brief visit.

Beecher on Eternal Punishment

N. Y. Cor. Indianapolis Journal.

The Rev. Henry Ward Beecher's declaration of his belief that there is no "eternal punishment" for the wicked, and that there are no lost souls, has created much excitement in orthodox circles.

To a friend who spoke to him about it this week, he said: "We believe much concerning the future, but we actually know nothing whatever. I do not believe that there is a hell where human beings are to be enchained forever, because the conception is devilish, not divine. I would not devise or construct a place or condition of endless punishment of any kind, and as God is infinitely better and kinder than any human being, I know He has not. We must interpret God by the highest and best that is within ourselves, and, if our conception falls below that, we must conclude we are mistaken in the portraiture, and try again.

This is only one of the Beecherian heresies, but it is enough to explain the alleged anxiety of the devout Edward Beecher, who, it is said, has been for many years greatly distressed about "the state of Henry's soul." I have heard, by the way, that all the Beecher family make each other the objects of special prayer—each one being a terrible and unique heretic in the eyes of every other.

Who is the laziest man in the world? The furniture dealer; because he has chairs and lounges about all the time.—*Household*

The New York Lieutenant Governorship.

A New York special to the Chicago *Times* says a sensation was created in that city, Monday, by the whispered rumor which went the rounds of a few of the leaders of the Democratic party that there was every reason to believe that Clarkson N. Potter would, after all, receive a certificate of election to the office of lieutenant governor, and Mr. Hoskins would be left out in the cold. Says the telegram:

Those who were in possession of the information were very reticent. The points to be arrived at were:

1. Have the board of state canvassers finished their labors? and, if so, has a certificate of election been given to either Hoskins or Potter?

2. What apparent majority, if any, has Mr. Hoskins on the face of the returns?

3. Can the state board of canvassers go behind the returns?

4. What action at law can be taken to compel the state board to count the returns for a candidate where the ballots are defective?

The first question was speedily answered in the negative—that is, no certificate has yet been awarded. Mr. Hoskins' apparent majority, instead of being 1,200 to 1,500, is really less than 100. The board of state canvassers is Democratic and consequently it was argued that any mere technical quibble might be decided in favor of Mr. Potter who if he got the certificate, would have at least the better of the situation, possession being nine points of the law.

Important to Taxpayers.

It is getting so, nowadays, that there is no chance of escaping the payment of taxes, and the attention of tax-payers is called to the following paragraphs from the session laws of Illinois for 1879.

In all cases where any real property has heretofore been or may hereafter be forfeited to the state for taxes, it shall be the duty of the clerk, when he is making up the amount of tax due on such real property for the current year to add the amount of back tax, interest, penalty and printer's fees remaining due on such real property, with one year's interest at ten per cent. on all taxes hereafter levied and forfeited on the amount of tax due, to the tax of the current year, and the aggregate amount so added together shall be collected in like manner as the tax on other real property for that year may be collected. *Provided*, that the county clerk shall first carefully examine said list, and strike out therefrom all errors and otherwise make such corrections as may be necessary with respect to such property or tax.

All real estate upon which taxes remain due and unpaid on the 10th of March, annually, or at the time the town or district collector makes return of his books to the county collector, shall be deemed delinquent; and all such dues and unpaid taxes shall bear interest after the 1st day of May at the rate of one per cent. per month until paid or forfeited; parts or fractions of a month shall be reckoned as a month. And all such collections on account of interest shall be paid into the county treasury to be used for county purposes.

Decatur in Missouri.

A correspondent of the St. Louis *Globe-Democrat*, from Macon City, Mo., has the following to say with reference to this town and the Union Iron Works of this city:

During our short visit we noted a number of substantial improvements in progress, among which we may mention as being of importance to the grain interest of the county the steam grain elevator erected by R. M. J. Sharpe & Co. This is one of the most progressive and enterprising firms of the place and well merits the thanks of the people of Macon and surroundings for its energy in pushing forward to completion so important an enterprise for the general interest of the town and county. The elevator is a substantial structure with a storage capacity of 20,000 bushels, with power corn sheller attached, capable of shelling 12,000 bushels of corn per day; the building is so conveniently located as to be able to receive grain from wagons on one side and deposit it in the cars on the other. It is completely equipped with all modern and improved machinery and appliances, the machinery, sheller, etc., being furnished by the well known Union Iron Works of Decatur, Ill. The completion of this establishment is an important acquisition to Macon. It will not only facilitate the handling of grain, but will necessitate a better market and the product of a large scope of country will be drawn there that has heretofore found a market elsewhere.

No Mistake, Sure.

Those who are desirous of getting a dollar's worth for their money will certainly consult their interest by inspecting our goods and learning our prices. Our stock of hosiery, ladies' and gents' underwear, laces, embroideries, corsets, ribbons, notions, fancy and ladies' toilet articles generally, is the most complete of any similar establishment in the state. In cloaks, shawls and blankets we undersell all our competitors, and all in all we mark our goods in plain selling figures, and sell them uniformly on a small living profit. While we have but one fixed price, we make it a rule to overhaul our entire stock from week to week, and make such reductions and changes in prices as are deemed necessary and just to our patrons. CHEAP STORE.

Nov 20-d&wtf

NOBBIEST visiting card stock in the city just received at this office.

A SUCCESSFUL AFFAIR.

The First Night of the Grand Fair and Festival at the First M. E. Church—Receipts $150—Go To-night.

From Friday's Daily.

It was a scene of beautiful enchantment and dazzling splendor that greeted the eyes of our reporter last night as he entered the lecture room of the First M. E. Church. It was the occasion of the fair and festival given by that congregation, under the general management of Mrs Robert N. Baker, aided by an enterprising corps of assistants. The room was jammed full of people, and was decorated with exquisite taste with leaves and flowers. The tables were very nicely arranged, and were liberally patronized by the assembled company, among whom we noticed Lieut. and Mrs. B. G. McReynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Loeb, J. R. Race, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Murphey, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Priest, Rev. N. S. Haynes, Fire Chief and Mrs. Wm. Dobson, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Busher, Anthony Baer, A. Kramer, Eugene Pratt, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Carter, jr., Miss Nannie Myers, of Blue Mound, Miss Ida Bering, Miss Nannie Smith, of Mt. Zion, Miss Katie Burchart, Miss Dell Whitsel, Otto E. Curtis, Lieut. Henry Elwood, C. B. Prescott, Harry Moore, D. J. Block, State's Attorney Buckingham, a good representation of the congregation, and many others.

The genial pastor, Rev. Dr. Goodwin, was everywhere present, and made it his business to greet all visitors pleasantly and see that the boom was kept booming. The various tables named below were in charge of the following persons:

Cashier—Mr. E. S. Roe.

Fancy work table, perfectly beautiful in all its appointments—Mrs. Lieut. O. B. Gorin, assisted by Mrs. Silas Packard, Miss Annie Dillehunt and Miss Louie Condell.

Ice cream tables—No. 1, Mrs. Henry Bishop, Mrs. H. W. Waggoner, Miss Adele Bishop and Miss Alice Fuller. No. 2—Mrs. John Swearingen, Miss Sallie Mechall and Miss Mary Misenhelter.

Candy stand, containing confections ordered from St. Louis—Mrs. George W. Bright, Mrs. Bennett and Mrs. May Booth.

Eight dried grass tables, placed in one corner of the room, containing a magnificent display of dried and bleached grasses ordered from Chicago, including 12 beautiful cream-colored Pampas Plumes, from Southern California, in charge of Mrs. C. M. Imboden and Mrs. J. F. Rouch.

Old Time Table—Representing the fashions of six decades, 1829, 1839, 1849, 1859, 1869 and 1879. A glass basin on this table contained water from the Sangamon river, shells from Cayuga Lake, N. Y., and pebbles from Fish Lake, Wisconsin—all arranged by and in charge of Mrs. W. R. Roberts, assisted by Miss Nina Roberts, Miss Abbie Block and Miss Nellie Bishop.

Flower Stand—Miss Libbie Boyd and Miss Matie Loughbom.

The Four Oyster Tables—Were in charge of the following ladies: Mrs. R. N. Baker, Mrs. W. E. Hubbard, Mrs. Jane Gehr, Mrs. G. M. Wood, Mrs. W. C. Pitner, Mrs. Jane Morthland, Mrs. Allen Scott, Mrs. Milton Johnson, Mrs. J. E. Hall, Mrs. B. C. Hamsher, Mrs. A. E. Kinney, Mrs. J. M. Stookey, and Mrs. J. P. Boyd.

THE DINNER.

The following named ladies of the congregation, among others, served a sumptuous dinner in the festival room: Mrs. J. A. Sweartzgen, Mrs. Jane Armstrong, Mrs. H. W. Waggoner, Misses Sophie Hamsher, Mary Weer, Katie Burchart, Jennie Ferguson, Mrs. O. B. Gorin, Mrs. J. F. Rouch, Miss Nannie Smith, Miss Myers, Miss Berta Loughbom, Mrs. J. P. Boyd, Mrs. Allen Scott, Mrs. W. C. Pitner, Mrs. W. E. Hubbard, Mrs. Milton Johnson, Mrs. Paul Smith, Mrs. B. K. Hamsher, Mrs. J. A. Buckingham and Mrs. F. L. Wood.

The tables were all liberally patronized by many of our people from various congregations including a number of our prominent citizens, among whom we noticed Judge Smith, of Champaign; Major Emery, of Macon; Joshua Green, of Whitmore township; States Attorney Foy, of Christian county; Lawyers W. C. Johnson, E. S. McDonald; States Attorney Buckingham, Rev. J. L. Locke, W. H. Linn, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Bartholomew, Supt. E. A. Gastman, Postmaster Earle, Thos. Pennuwell, Mr. and Mrs. John Rogers, of St. Louis, and Dr. W. J. Cartmouth. There were many others whose names we were unable to obtain in the crowd but the above list will indicate that the dinner boom of to-day was as great as that of the fair and festival last night.

Supper will be served to-night on and after 5 o'clock.

From Saturday's Daily.

A Success Throughout—Good Enough.

The one day and two nights fair and festival given under the management of the enterprising ladies of the 1st M. E. church, terminated last night at a late hour, and is put down as a pronounced social and financial success, the net proceeds being much larger than the most sanguine ladies had hoped for. Yesterday we gave the names of all the ladies we could get who assisted in making the affair a success, and told of the grand dinner served, etc. The supper given last evening in the basement rooms was liberally patronized and brought in quite a sum, and the attendance at the fair and festival last night was nearly or quite as large as that of the first evening. The company present included many of the leading families of the city, and shows that the 1st M. E. Church folks have warm places in the hearts of all our people. Dr. Goodwin and Mrs. Robt. Baker, assisted by scores of other gentlemen and ladies, worked hard to make the affair a success, and that they succeeded, may be observed from the following statement of the receipts and expenditures furnished us by the treasurer:

Receipts at the door on Friday night (10 cents admission)	$ 36 00
Receipts at Fancy Table	70 00
" " Ice Cream Tables	31 00
" " Candy Table	35 00
From flowers and grasses	53 81
" other tables about	175 00
Total receipts about	$400 00
" expenses "	75 00
Net proceeds not less than	$325 00

That's why we say "Good enough." The proceeds will be used by the ladies in paying the organist, making repairs, and for other church purposes.

PERSONAL MENTION.

"Dick" Newell, of this city, is the telegraph operator at Mt. Zion, in this county.

J. M. Bower, for three years a general merchant at Cisco, has removed to Decatur with his family, and will travel in the interest of one of our manufacturing firms.

Mrs. Lincoln has written that she expects to visit Washington this winter, but it is said her son Robert will not permit her to do so, fearing the consequences, as she will not be likely to stand the mental shock.

Judge E. S. McDonald presided in court a portion of yesterday forenoon in the Walsh vs. Manzy and Flynn case, and decided all points that came before him with an ability and impartiality that won the admiration of the attorneys on both sides, as well as the entire bar.

THE wag of the Peoria *Transcript* gets off the following joke on Norman Failing, of Macon: "How can a man maintain his standing in business and yet always be failing? Such is the case, though, with a veteran grain dealer down at Macon, on the Illinois Central. His name is Failing."

M. B. Keagy, the Republican treasurer of Sumner county, Kansas, a former resident of this county, was in the city today and gave us a pleasant call. He left Wellington last Saturday, where he saw lawyers W. W. Sweatmgen and O. F. McKim, who sent their respects to the REPUBLICAN. There is quite a number of Macon county folks in Sumner county, as follows: George F. Bargis, Levi Knisley, Nelson Smith, R. F. Elliott, J. L. Campbell, Mrs. J. G. Barnes, Walter and James Chenoweth, Mrs. Chenoweth, J. W. Barnes, Wm. D. and Chas. Dorsey, Wm. Funk, J. P. Glasgow, A. J. Glasgow, Mrs. Ed. Walton, J. H. Cox, Ephraim Cox, T. C. G. Allen, Howard Cannon, George Fisher, J. Q. Brown, H. C. St. Clair and several others. Mr. K. says all are doing well in their adopted county, and that Sumner Republicans are solid for Grant.

Hallrays!

We would like to call the attention of the public to our extensive stock of HOLIDAY JEWELRY, which this year by far exceeds any stock ever opened in the city. Our goods this year have been selected with great care and with special designs on the holiday trade, and were bought *early* and *before* any of the *late advance in prices*. Our line will embrace many novelties that cannot fail to please everyone. Feeling sure we can suit you in quality, design and price, we invite everybody to call and see our goods and prices. Respectfully,

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A Beautiful Young Lady.

Whose wavy, brown hair had been burnished by the sun of eighteen summers, and whose cheeks had been lovingly kissed by the gentle breezes of May, until they blushed like twin red roses in the month of June, flung her shapely arms around her ardent lover, and with cherry lips, exclaimed: "Ducky, dear, do you really and truly love me." Tightening his clasp, he gently replied: "Yes, deary, better than mine own life do I love thee." "Then take me; I am yours, forever and ever." And then they commenced talking about love in a cottage, and all that, and the sensible young girl insisted that one of the first things they should do would be to go to ASHBY & ANDREWS', in opera block, and see the handsome display of holiday goods just received, consisting of beautiful camp chairs, rattan chairs, furniture, etc., all so cheap; and she would n't let him go that night until he had promised that he would purchase one of those popular "Astral" parlor stoves, sold by the above named firm.

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Dec. 1, 1879—d3w

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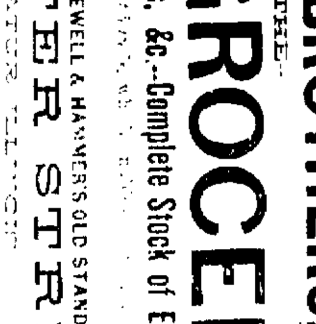
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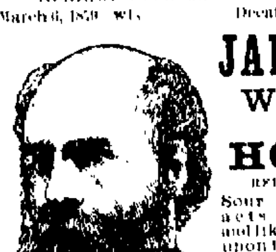
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LITTLE BY LITTLE.

Little by little the time goes by—
Short if you sing through it, long if you sigh:
Little by little—an hour a day,
Gone with years that have vanished away;
Little by little the race is run,
Trouble and waiting and toil are done.

Little by little the skies grow clear;
Little by little the sun comes near;
Little by little the days smile out,
Gladder and brighter on pain and doubt;
Little by little the seed we sow
Into a beautiful yield will grow

Little by little the world grows strong,
Fighting the battle of Right or Wrong;
Little by little the Wrong gives way,
Little by little the Right has sway;
Little by little all longing souls
Struggle up near the shining goals.

Little by little the good in men
Blossoms to beauty for human ken;
Little by little the angels see
Prophecies better of good to be;
Little by little the God of all
Lifts the world nearer the pleading call.

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THE committee appointed to secure the services of a physician for the paupers in Decatur township and the Macon county poor house, also the prisoners in the county jail, for fourteen months, commencing on January 1st, 1880, and a Steward for the poor farm for one year, commencing on the 1st day of March, 1880, will meet at the County Clerk's office in Decatur, on Friday, the 26th inst., at 1 o'clock p. m. Proposals will be received until twelve o'clock noon on that day. The committee reserve the right to reject any or all proposals.

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FROM KANSAS.

COUNCIL GROVE, Ks., Dec. 1, '79.

EDS. REPUBLICAN:—In answer to inquiries of many friends and for the information of many of your readers, I take this method of communicating in regard to this part of the country. I have traveled a good deal in my life time, but for beauty and utility combined this part of the country beats anything I have ever seen, for there is none of it but what is available and can be put to good use. Rocks in the bluffs being composed of the best of limestone making lime equal to the far famed lime of Bear Creek or Hannbial, and is what is called magnesia limestone.

Council Grove is the county seat of Morris county, situated on the banks of the Neosho river; population, 2,000.—The valley is about one mile wide at this point, with good timber in it and the richest and most productive soil in the state. The bluffs on each side of the valley are from 50 to 100 feet in height, some places very abrupt and others sloping with a table land, or up land with great fertility, and is now being rapidly taken up and put in cultivation. Water is found on these high lands by digging from 18 to 30 feet deep; springs and pure, clear running streams all through the country; there are three creeks emptying into the Neosho river within a mile of here. The town is behind the country, and there is no kind of business that is ever done, with a geographical location that will at no distant day make it a second Decatur as a railroad centre. Lands are cheaper here than they are further west, for what the railroads own they know will sell themselves, if they can induce the emigration further west. The drawback that has been to this part of the country is now removed, viz: Kaw Indians. The reservation which these Indians occupied and held (being a strip of country about 10 miles wide by 18 miles long) just came into the market last month, and is rapidly being taken up by actual settlers at its appraised value, running from $1.25 to $7.00 per acres for the best, in 40 acre tracts, but each settler is allowed to take 160 acres, paying for it in six payments bearing six per cent. interest for deferred payments but no taxes to pay until the deed is granted. This land includes some of the best land in the county, being right along and across the Neosho valley. Claims which others have taken can be bought out cheap by paying for the improvements and a little bonus for the claim. I will say in conclusion that there is a better opening for all kinds of business and for buying land that will increase in value than there was at Decatur some twenty years ago, and that all kinds of investments made in this county will increase in a greater ratio than they have in Macon county, for we have the location, soil, timber, water and rock with which to build up a country that God has so highly favored and made so beautiful and healthy, and I say to one and all who think of coming west to come and see this part before locating elsewhere.

WM. F. MARTIN.

Secretary Sherman on Newspaper "Enterprise."

Concerning the recent surreptitious publication of the Treasury report and the President's Message, Secretary Sherman says:

The fellow who did it has, for a little money, put under suspicion many innocent persons, and, I suppose, like any other thief, will suffer more or less for this crime; but what astonishes me most in this matter is that the newspapers who paid the money that tempted the thief do not seem to appreciate that in receiving stolen goods, and especially in tempting the thief, they are in morals as guilty as the thief. They call it enterprise, but so it is enterprise to receive a stolen horse. In this matter, too, they injure their craft. They by theft deprive the other papers of the equal right to a public document. This kind of enterprise when practiced involves a breach of confidence and good faith by the receiver as well as the thief. While a different notion prevails with the press, the only safe way is to send documents to congress in manuscript.

Thanksgiving in Yazoo.

The Yazoo City (Miss.) *Herald* (Dem.) rejoicing over the Democratic victory in that county, says: "The arms of any man, or any body of men, are all too weak to bear down the intrenchments of such a party—all too feeble to cope with a power so mighty. The vote of Tuesday justified everything that has been done by the Democracy from the beginning to the end of the canvass, and it was a noble vindication. The Lord be praised!"

THE latest announced programme of General and Mrs. Grant for the Winter is, after visiting some of the Eastern cities, to sail from New York for Cuba the latter part of this month. Remaining in Cuba during mid-winter, they go thence to Mexico, and after visiting the principal cities of that country, return via Galveston in April, going direct to Denver from there, and visiting the mining districts, including Leadville.

THE New York *Tribune* thinks that unless there are most unexpected changes within the next few months, 1880 will prove to be the most unlucky year for dark horses which the country has seen in a long time.

LIBERIA.

EDITORS REPUBLICAN:—

Nearly everybody in the world has heard something of the Republic of Liberia, but it is probable that very few have taken the trouble to become to any considerable extent familiar with its location, extent, or resources. To enter into the history of the country would be almost useless. By referring to the New American Cyclopædia we will find about all of the ancient (?) history of the country. I will only mention the fact that, after an unsuccessful attempt to establish a colony on Sherbro Island, the first emigrants established themselves on a small island in the mouth of the St. Paul river, but owing to the unhealthiness of the situation, removed to Cape Mesurado, Monrovia, early in 1821.

Liberia extends along the coast from the British colony of Sierra Leone about five hundred miles southeast to the San Pedro river. The average breadth of the territory is about fifty miles. Along the coast the land is generally low and sandy, but at a short distance inland, in sight from the sea, it is thickly wooded. In appearance the coast is similar to our own below the capes of the Chesapeake. At the distance of about thirty miles from the coast, the country becomes hilly, and further inland it becomes mountainous. The soil is very fertile and with even fair attention could be made to produce abundantly for the support of a large population. All the vegetables of the temperate zone can be raised if planted at the proper time. In addition to the garden truck of more temperate climes, all the fruits and vegetables of the equatorial regions grow abundantly.—Coffee, sugar, camwood and palm oil are the principal exports, while the necessaries of life which are not produced in the country, liquor and tobacco make up the imports.

The commerce of Liberia is not extensive and does not sail many ships to the ports. There are but few ports of entry and no good harbors. While there are many deep rivers which would be of great service in the development of the resources of the country under the rule of an energetic people, there is but very little inland commerce.

In reading the accounts of Liberia and the colonization society one meets with very rose-colored descriptions of the whole country. It seems to me that these accounts were written by enthusiastic members of the society or great friends of the colonization of the negroes. Every one of the accounts I have read was evidently written with regard to the possibilities, skimming over the realities, from a fear of discouraging the colonists. It would be decidedly unfair to say that the future of Liberia is certain to be inglorious, but it certainly does not seem bright from its present condition. Nearly sixty years have passed since the settlement of Liberia, and yet there are but few evidences of nerve and persistence or perseverance. It is very true that Monrovia has several decent residences, but the vast majority of the buildings are mere huts. The people seem to be doing no more than they can help and but few have any apparent desire to better their condition by their own efforts. I have seen in print the statement that there is in Monrovia an aristocracy of education and wealth. I have no knowledge of any such aristocracy, but it is true that the ex-slaves are very much inclined to be people of elegant leisure. These two facts, perhaps, have as much to do with the lack of progress in the country as anything else. I do not remember seeing any American negroes employed at any manual labor out of doors, and only one, a tinker, employed at anything but professions and in trade.

The Liberians are generally sober, religious people; they are inoffensive and timid. The great good point about them is a general thirst for knowledge, and they are very liberal in their expenditures for educational purposes. They have a good common school system, and besides the schools supported by the Government there is a college in Monrovia supported by private subscription. Their Government is modeled as much after our own as the circumstances will allow. The executive branch is so weak, however, that the revenues are not collected. Owing to this fact the financial condition of the country is anything but flattering. The government negotiated a loan of $200,000 in England, for which they have mortgaged the country. I have forgotten the rate of interest, but it is large for a Government like that of Liberia to pay. The history of this loan is very illustrative of how a Government can be honestly(?) swindled. Among the bankers and agents in London about one-half of the principal was eaten up, and by the time the money reached Monrovia but little more than $100,000 was left.

The public buildings are very modest. So modest are they, indeed, that were not one told their character it would not be suspected. With what little progress has been made the Liberians seem thoroughly satisfied. Their satisfaction is one of the causes which tend to hold them to their low condition, as regards prosperity.

It would perhaps be presumptuous to say anything against a scheme which enlisted the sympathy of so many of the great men of our nation, but with due reverence for the colonization society, I state the opinion that the day has not arrived when the negro who has for two hundred years been in slavery is competent to colonize an entirely new country and contend against such forces as oppose them in Africa.

The climate is warm and there is enough to be obtained without labor to deter them from active life. Add to this the malarial influence of the climate, which is almost fatal to the white men and nearly the same to the American-born negro, and you have enough to overcome them.

When it is remembered that the native tribes are superior in physique, natural shrewdness and industry to the American negro, so lately refused the right to think for himself, it is not surprising that they have not advanced far.

The Liberian Government claims jurisdiction over about 30,000 square miles of territory, while they can not enforce their laws outside of their villages a distance of five miles. The natives beat them at war and completely shut them up in their towns. It seems to be the opinion of the majority of the people who visit this county that the possibilities are grand, but that there is not much probability of Liberia ever being a great republic.

The habits and history of the natives would be a much more interesting topic than the history of the Liberian Republic, but this article has nothing to do with them. I may at some future time give an account of them.

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The Universaulty of Gambling and Lottery Deals in New York.

We have in the metropolis about six hundred lottery offices, policy shops and gambling hells. Of these about forty are first-class lottery offices. They make a fair show, are neatly furnished and attract the best class of customers. The gambling hells are an entirely different class of concerns. They make no show at all, neither do they advertise in the papers, but their patrons know where to find them. Day and night they are busy. The most crowded parts of the respectable business section of the city are well supplied with them. The "policy shops" are for the humblest class of adventurers. They are mostly small dens. Some of them display the sign "Broker" or "Exchange Office." Some are connected with pawnbrokers' shops and some are in league with pawnbrokers, by whose direct aid thieves are enabled to "play policy" with stolen goods. An instance of this may be interesting. A lady missed from the bureau in her room a diamond ring, worth about a hundred dollars. She knew of nobody who had been near the bureau, except her colored man-servant, and he was too honest to steal. Nevertheless when one of the shrewdest detectives on this continent accused him of stealing it he confessed that he had done so. He had taken the ring to a pawn-shop and received three dollars for it. The money he had invested in "playing policy," and was, of course, gone. The pawnman was nothing but the receiver of stolen goods, and as such a thief. He knew that the negro had not come honestly by a hundred dollar ring which he was willing to part with for three dollars. It is well known that a large part of the gains of the policy-dealers come from errand-boys and other young persons who earn small wages. Steal money? No. This is for cashiers and clerks in high position. These youngsters have no access to the cash. They steal a dozen papers of needles, or some spools of thread, or any petty merchandise on which they can lay their sinful hands. They have no difficulty in exchanging their stealings for policy tickets. Some boys steal the postage stamps from letters which are given them to mail. This generally tells its own story in a short time, in complaints from correspondents whose stampless letters the boys destroy. Therefore this particular branch of theft is unprofitable. Anthony Comstock a few days ago caught a very respectable boy investing eight dollars at one of the shops. Fearing the lad had filched the money from somebody, he kindly questioned him about it and learned that the boy was buying for a club of his associates. Whether this club invested the honestly-acquired pocket-money of its members, or whether it amassed its capital by stealing, who shall say? The patrons of the obscure policy shops are shine-em-up boys, peanut sellers, apple women, hotel waiters, newsboys and others of similar classes. Many of the newsboys and shiners are inveterate gamblers. A few of them hoard their savings, but the majority, even of those who earn good incomes, play policy or pitch pennies, so that they have to live from hand to mouth.—*N. Y. Cor. of Phil. Times.*

LEAVENWORTH, MAN., Dec. 1.—The *Times*, to-morrow morning, will print the views of the editors of Kansas on the Presidential question, as gleaned from a circular sent to each newspaper. Of the Republicans, over one half express a decided preference for a ticket composed of U. S. Grant for president and James G. Blaine for vice president. The democrats prefer either Seymour or Bayard for president, and Hendricks or McDonald for vice president. A number, while opposed to Grant's nomination, admit its probability, and say they will support him.

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READ THIS.

The publishers of the REPUBLICAN are filled with a desire to start out on the new year with a fully paid up subscription list During the painful season of business depression which has extended through the past four years we have accumulated upon our books a large amount of arrearages, and owing to the scarcity of money among the people we have hesitated to urge payment, hoping for better times to come. The good times for which we have waited so long are here at last, and we now make bold to request those who are in arrears to come forward and do what they can to give us a clean balance sheet at the beginning of the year — The crops have been good, prices are remunerative and money is plenty — Many have already paid up their old scores but many others have not, (probably more by reason of inattention than otherwise) and it is these whose memories we desire to refresh

We expect to send out statements this week to all delinquents, and trust that they will meet with a speedy response

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THE scheme of minority representation, which the *Review* assisted with its powerful in*flooence* received 84 votes, out of a total vote of 908

Two hundred and sixty bills were introduced in the House of Representatives yesterday, most of them of no general interest

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THE sales of provisions at Chicago last week were unprecedented being 806,000 bbls mess pork 125,000 tierces of lard, 55,000,000 pounds of product, valued at $23,000,000

TILDEN is looming up again as a candidate for president to the great disgust of many of the party leaders, who would fain rid themselves of this old man of the sea, but cannot

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GENERAL GRANT Saturday afternoon took a hand in the tree planting at South Park, Chicago, by invitation of the Park Commissioners An American weeping elm, 70 years old, was planted, the General handling the spade

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DENNIS KEARNEY, the California agitator, says he intends to be in Washington on the 8th of January, to attend the meeting of Greenbackers in that city. Dennis might as well spare himself the fatigue of such a long journey. He has had his day

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IN Cincinnati the municipal authorities are engaged in a crusade against the Sabbath breakers On Sunday night fifty three arrests were made of proprietors and attaches of the various theaters and a hearing of the cases will take place on the 16th

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THE *Review* of this morning has something to say in its own behalf, and talks of itself as a paper that somebody reads and has confidence in We have frequently observed that the near, er a paper comes to being a nonentity the louder it blows about its circulation and *influence*

THERE is a strong fight going on in Springfield over the United States Marshalship The term of the present incumbent C. H. R. Ro[illegible] is about to expire and the struggle for the succession is [illegible] intensely interesting to the candidates. Col Ro[illegible]'s principal opponent is A Mel[illegible] [illegible] now an att[illegible] of the [illegible] office

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THE annual reunion and banquet of of the Chicago Commercial Club, on Saturday night was one of the most brilliant affairs of the kind that has ever occurred in Chicago A large number of distinguished men from abroad had accepted the invitation to participate in the honors extended Gen Grant, and the speeches were pointed and brilliant.

MAX MARETZEK, the distinguished operatic manager, who disappeared mysteriously from St. Louis on Thursday, has turned up in New York in a very feeble condition both as to mind and body Financial troubles are assigned as the cause of his strange conduct. His company which he left in a pitiable condition in St Louis, has been reorganized by another manager and put upon the road again

THE DECATUR TABERNACLE

EDITORS REPUBLICAN —Most of the elements that make up our civilization and contribute to the enjoyment of mankind have grown out of necessities which were not realized, but when these good things have been in use for a while the voice of man has said, how did we live without these things of so great utility? Why, we could not get along without them Our tabernacle is an illustration of this general statement In writing up this subject I am actuated by two considerations 1 to remove some erroneous notions from the minds of a few people 2d, to ask further aid Allow me to say right here that this writing is not undertaken at the suggestion of another, but it is wholly of my own inclination

We ought in the first place to remember that

THE TABERNACLE BELONGS TO THE PEOPLE

of Decatur and Macon county, not to a few men It is the people's by moral right True the first thought of its existence and the first impulse to its construction came from the temperance reform movement, but to such an extent have others contributed to its building that it is not the exclusive property of temperance men, but it is under their control and will so continue. Every man who paid $25 holds one share of stock and is entitled to one vote at the annual election of its trustees, which occurs on the 9th of October. At the first election, in 1878, and also at the second, in this year, the following were chosen, viz David S. Shellabarger, Cyrus M Imboden, Martin P Murphey, Hugh W Hill and Franklin Priest The first named gentleman is president of the board of trustees, the second is its secretary and the third its treasurer. This board is incorporated under the statutes of the state of Illinois, its legal name being 'Temperance Hall Association For convenience I will speak in the balance of this article of the four first named gentlemen as the trustees, although the last name I is also one

It is well known that the lot on which the tabernacle stands is controlled by Mr F. Priest, and out of this fact some misapprehensions have arisen.

THE CONTRACT

between the trustees and Mr. Priest was drawn under the direction of the lamented Judge Gallagher, and is characteristic of the man—clear, concise and complete. A copy of it, as also of the articles of incorporation, are upon the records of this county and may be read by any one so desiring But since many will not take this trouble I will here briefly notice the terms of the contract 1 Mr Priest leases the ground on which the tabernacle stands to the trustees for five years from October 9, 1878, they agreeing to construct the building substantially as it now stands, and he agreeing to pay the taxes upon the lot and $500 toward the building, which provisions he has met The building is under the *exclusive* control of the trustees and can not be occupied for any general purpose without their sanction For all temperance meetings, or work connected therewith, no charge can be made for the use of the tabernacle, but when not so occupied it may be rented for any proper purpose the proceeds of such rent must be paid to the treasurer, and he, after meeting all expenses connected with such occupancy, turns the balance over to Mr. Priest 2 The public knows that the last named gentleman has not received a deed from Macon county for the said lot, and it is stipulated in the contract that the trustees shall possess his right to purchase the lot upon his defaulting in any payment of the principal to the county or the taxes 3 At the expiration of the five years lease the trustees may remove the building with its furniture and fixtures from the lot or, they may sell the tabernacle to Mr Priest or, they may buy the lot from him All the conditions are set forth in the contract, and the trustees can and will act on their best judgment for the public good.

These gentlemen possess the confidence and esteem of the entire community as honorable upright and public spirited citizens, and any little questionings of what goes with the tabernacle money have been born of thoughtlessness or ignorance or cupidity or meanness They have not only been faithful in this trust but largely liberal in their individual contributions to this good work so that we may confidently believe that the future management of the tabernacle will be just, and that at the expiration of the five years lease the wishes of our public spirited citizens will be respected without regard to creed or color, caste or clan.

THE COST

of the tabernacle, as it now stands, has been not far from $7,000, as follows

Donations of labor and material	$1 500
Cash paid on building and furniture	3 500
Funded debt	1 500
Floating debt	500
Total	$7 000

The funded debt was created by borrowing money—which was paid on the building—and is not due till March 1st, 1881, but may be paid at any time. The treasurer has received to date (not counting the $1500 loan) $5,054.40, that is the receipts from *all* sources, as subscriptions, proceeds of lectures, rents of hall, temperance festivals, &c Of this amount $3,500 has been applied on the building while the remainder $1 554 40 has been used in paying lecturers for printing sextons hire, fuel and light, &c, &c. To give an idea of current expenses it may be remarked that the tabernacle cannot be put in readiness at this season of the year for an evening meeting for less than $5. Mr. John Brayton is the treasurer's bookkeeper, and he cordially invites anybody and everybody to examine the books and know where every dime has come from and every nickel gone to.

Our tabernacle has become

SIMPLY INDISPENSABLE

We can not get along without it, to say nothing of its help for temperance It has already been used for political rallies, festivals, church and other, walking matches, reunions, anniversaries, funerals, &c. No charge has ever been made for meetings of a religious character, not so much as for necessary expenses. A moments reflection will show the many needs that it will supply in the future

But it is

NOT YET COMPLETE.

The inside of the walls should be plastered and a large and liberal supply of paint should be applied to the woodwork and chairs. Such improvements would add alike to its utility and appearance We ought to "fix up" before Gen. Grant comes to see us next year, for it might be needed then.

At the

FAIR AND FESTIVAL

to be given during the holidays the trustees hope that their reasonable expectations may be met in the way of substantial encouragement, so that with the beginning of the new year the floating debt may be cancelled and a good sum be in hand for other uses The treasurer, not being used to it, is tired of being dunned. The enterprise is one in which all people can unite, irrespective of religious or political differences, or temperance views This fair and festival should be the boom of all the booms in that line, for it ought to be 'a long pull, and a strong pull and a pull altogether

N S HAYNES.

FACTS FROM POLLYWOG.

EDITORS REPUBLICAN —I see an editorial in last week's REPUBLICAN entitled 'A Popular Newspaper" In said editorial you tell how popular the REPUBLICAN is in the city. It may be gratifying to you to know that the popularity of the REPUBLICAN is not confined to the city, but away our here on the outskirts of the county it is an ever welcome visitor to a vast majority of the residents of this community We get the REPUBLICAN the same day that we get a half dozen other journals in our family, and I notice the REPUBLICAN is always the first one read, and the great trouble is that we all want it at the same time

Mr Editor, I am well aware of the fact that the current opinion is that the portion of Austin township known as Pollywog is nothing but a frog pond, and the inhabitants thereof a set of ignorant squatters, and it is for the purpose of correcting this erroneous opinion that I pen this article. The facts are that we have have as intelligent, enterprising and prosperous an agricultural people as can be found anywhere in Macon county. We have the most fertile and productive soil there is in the county Pollywog is the corn garden of not only the county, but of the state There is more corn raised in Pollywog than in any other territory of the same size in the world We consider fifty bushels per acre a poor crop. Many whole quarter sections average eighty and ninety bushels per acre If you or any of your readers doubt these assertions we cordially invite you to come and see for yourselves, and you will find us to be a hospitable people, as well Politics is dull just now Uncle Tom Campbell has retired from political life, and is just now spending most of his time and great abilities in the construction of a mammoth fish pond, on the banks of which he will sit next summer and dream of fiat money.

That stalwart old republican, Jo Emery, says he is for Grant first, Blaine second, but a good stalwart republican all the time

Rumor says that Supervisor Hawkyard and wife are going to England next summer on a visit to the scenes of their childhood and, by the way, Mr Hawkyard is a living example of what intelligence and energy will and can accomplish in the so called frog ponds of Pollywog Mr. Hawkyard came here a few years since with almost nothing, except a strong muscle an iron will and an intelligent mind. To-day he ranks among the wealthiest and most influential men in the county

Miss Ella Bear and Mr James Montgomery are the school teachers in this community, and judging from the reports of the parents and pupils they are both good teachers.

Frank Montgomery attended the Luther Benson lecture in your city. He says Luther is the boss. Judging from the number of times he goes down there Luther must be holding a protracted meeting. Methinks the Luther he hears lecture is a fair one living near your city.

Joe Woody, through the charity of some friends, has received a new pair of shoes. W. A. H.

LATE advices from the interior of Louisiana show that the recent election in that state was a genuine democratic affair Terrorism, murder and ballot-box frauds carried the day, and placed the state in that noble democratic column, the solid south.

FROM FORSYTH.

FORSYTH, Ill, Dec 9, 1879.

EDITORS REPUBLICAN —As the reporter of the Chicago *Times* succeeded in procuring a copy of the President's message in advance of its delivery, perhaps you will not object to publishing a very important document two days in advance of its delivery. Our Lyceum usually have an essay read by one of its members at the opening of each meeting, but we have been deprived of listening to one of them for the last two meetings, the writer claiming that he had lost the document in the vicinity of Kansas City, but his washerwoman has discovered the document in the lining of some of his clothes, and she returned the main document to the writer. We suppose it will be read on Friday evening, but before returning the said document the lady allowed us to take a copy of the same, and as no such document should be confined to as narrow a limit as the village of Forsyth, we send the same to you, that it may be distributed far and near, for the good of mankind·

Two the President and members of the Forsyth Lyceum: My subject this evenin, will be leters. Thare is twenty six letters in the allphabett, i learned aight of them when a boy, at skule, and i larned ten more in Kansas City, and am now larnin the other aight of Dr. Hall, who has lately come to the town from Kentucky, where thay all larn their leters. I will now write of another kind of leters, such as we receive thru the post orfice when we owe other fellers, and sich as we send to the gals when we love them. These are the best kind of leters. I received some from Injianna which I would not sell for six bits a piece. Sich letters is a great benefitt to peaple. The package of letters written by the one-eyed feller from Oreana has been a grate consolation to some people. All letters are not sent by male, some are sent by the back alley, and pig pen express. I seed a feller a reading a package of that kind of letters, and i new by his looks that it done him a heep of good. There is another kind of letters i wish to speck of, those are what they call bisnes leters, or grane deelers leters. There is one grane deeler in this town who rites over a quire of paper and then it takes three skule teachers to reed it, but of all these different kinds of letters, i prefer the love leters riten by Norton. Mr. president excuse errors, and I will try two due better next time.

K C. DITCHER.

At our Lyceum the following officers were elected for the next term Pres., David Lyle, Vice Pres., Nathan Dudley, Sec, Clara Plank, Treas., Edward Weilepp.

Our minister put in an appearance last Sunday evening, and gave us an excellent sermon We hear there is to be a protracted meeting during the winter, and hope it will do much good.

The *Review* Democracy have held several full meetings within the last week Their secretary and proof reader has been present at each meeting. Now, if the secretary does not get sick or get some patients, you may look for something rich in the columns of the *Review* within the next thirty days.

The long controversy existing in the mind of W W. Bowls has finally been settled by the purchase of a handsome brussels carpet

Prof. Crocker is making all preparations to be in your city. Look out for him at the Antiquarian party at Stapp's Chapel.

The republicans of this and Maroa township are solid for R J Oglesby for governor, and A. G Benton for our next representative.

Q Q QUIGLY.

"What to Teach Our Girls."

Mrs Lou C Gregory, professor in the Illinois University, who has but lately returned from a trip to Europe in company with her distinguished husband, at the urgent solicitation of a number of our citizens and the trustees of the tabernacle, has consented to deliver her popular lecture entitled "What to Teach Our Girls," at the tabernacle in this city, on Tuesday evening, Dec 23 Mrs Gregory, as is well known to most of our readers, is the daughter of Mr D S Allen, of Harristown and as she is a lady of great intelligence and an interesting declaimer on any topic, she will most certainly be greeted by a large audience Admission, 25 cents 8 d&wtf

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WE notice the statement in various papers that Hon Jesse H Moore, of this city, is a candidate for the United States Marshalship of this district It is only just to say that the use of Gen. Moore's name in this connection is entirely unauthorized He has taken no steps to secure the appointment, nor have his friends done so for him.

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ANOTHER indication of the popularity of goods of American manufacture in England is that there have been several shipments of the celebrated "Favorite" cooking stoves to London and the demand is increasing.

MACON COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT.

December Term. 1879.

Court convened at 9 a m pursuant to adjournment, Judge C B. Smith presiding

Mary Ellen Stoy vs John S Stoy, injunction and divorce Motion entered by defendant to dissolve injunction.

S H. Mason vs John Vance et al, foreclosure, leave to amend bill, make new parties, and case continued

Lydia A Toland vs Bessie Toland, dower, leave granted complainant to amend petition

Maggie A. Fluhr vs. Elizabeth Cooper et al, chancery, same order as above

Nancy Cloud et al vs Henry Cloud et al., partition, E. P. Vail, Esq., appointed guardian *ad litem*.

COMMON LAW DOCKET

Wilson S Gage vs Thomas Davis, assumpsit, judgment rendered upon *nil dicit*.

Stephen S Washburn vs Wilson S Gage, assumpsit, default, court assessed damages at $588 08

The president and trustees of the town of Maroa vs. John Schenck, debt, motion by defendant for change of venue to the county court allowed.

Same vs same, appeal, same disposition as above.

The trespass case of Maggie Walsh vs John H. Mauzy and Edward Flynn, was then resumed and occupied the attention of the court and jury up to the hour of adjournment at noon. The first witness for the defense has given in his testimony.

TUESDAY, DEC 9

Court convened at 8 30 a. m.

CHANCERY DOCKET

Elvira E Pugh vs. John C Mark and Elmira H Mark; foreclosure; appearance of William H Davis entered and decree pro confesso Referred to master

Fanny Ticknor vs John C. Ticknor, divorce, decree pro confesso

Casper Burg vs Lucinda Sowards and Elizabeth Sowards, foreclosure, decree pro confesso and referred to master

Amanda H Pease vs Shaw Pease, divorce; appearance of Shaw Pease entered and leave to answer granted

Annis McKelvey vs. George McKelvey divorce, degree pro confesso

Isaac A. Harkrader vs S W Seitz et al, foreclosure, decree pro confesso and referred to master

Andrew Dennis vs John Coffrey, foreclosure, same disposition as above

Edward Happer vs David Garver et al, foreclosure, same disposition

Mary Reinhart et al vs. Emma Honiker et al, partition, referred to master to take proof

Hattie King vs. Wm. King, divorce, decree pro confesso

COMMON LAW DOCKET

Maggie Walsh vs John H Mauzy and Edward Flynn, trespass Trial by jury, verdict—defendants guilty, and damages assessed at $75, motion entered for new trial

Manlius T Shepherd vs John Baban and John M Rose confession, demurrer entered to second plea

Same vs same, same action, demurrer to 2d and 3d pleas confessed and leave to amend

Wilson S Gage vs Thomas Davis, assumpsit, judgment for $674 17 against defendant

Samuel Weitzel for the use of R E Andrews vs George Hoagland et al, motion by defendants for continuance

People for use of &c, vs Wm J. Ussrey et al, debt, demurrer to declaration sustained, and leave to amend

Francis B Turner vs James M Segrass and David Hoff, demurrer to 2d plea.

Edward Happer vs. David Garver and Andrew M Garver, assumpsit, default entered against David Garver

The People for use of Cyrus S Robinson et al vs Samuel Steel, debt, pleas withdrawn and judgment revived, and by agreement to issue execution for two thirds of amount of original judgment On payment of that amount the whole of judgment to be satisfied

Samuel E Cussins vs. School Directors of district 5, town 15, range 2 east, assumpsit Trial by jury, pending

WEDNESDAY, DEC 10

Court convened at 8 30 a m, pursuant to adjournment

CHANCERY DOCKET

Evaline Bowen et al vs Catherine Wells et al, decree pro confesso against all defendants except Catherine Wells

Nancy Cloud vs Henry Cloud et al partition referred to master.

Francis M. Wood vs Annie M Wood divorce, cause heard by court and decree pro confesso

Manlius T Shepherd vs John Baban and John M Rose; confession demurrer to second plea overruled

The evidence in the case in assumpsit against the school directors of district 5, town 15, range 2 east instituted by Samuel Cussins, was all in at the hour of adjournment at noon, and the arguments of the attorneys had been heard by the jury The instructions of the court to the jury were given on the reassembling of court at 1 30 p. m, and the jury retired to make up a verdict.

Verdict for Cussins for $142,45 Motion entered by defendants for a new trial.

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"The Antiquity of Flirting."

"Chat," the well-known Decatur correspondent of the Chicago *Tribune's* Home Department, thus proves that flirting is not a modern invention:

In order to get at the beginning we must go where everybody else goes, to the bible,—and Genesis of course.

We know that after man came woman (and she has been after him ever since): and after woman flirtation, as a perusal of Holy Writ proves by describing the very praiseworthy or naughty behavior (as you choose) of Eve in Eden. You see Eve was wandering around the garden, probably gathering a button-hole boquet for Adam, when suddenly she came face to face with the serpent, who was undoubtedly a traveling man for some clothing establishment.

Being a man of business, he understood that their wardrobe was, to put it in a business phrase, "pretty thin," and he was figuring around to get a big order out of the Adamites. After several meetings and a little mild flirtation they became confidential, and she confided to him all Adam had said (for of course he had told her, else how could she know it was "forbidden fruit"?) about the apple, and the serpent saw here was his chance; and, after some conversation which I have not time to repeat, he plucked an apple and gave it to her with one hand, while with the other he got out his order book and lead-pencil. And she, in order to gain his admiration by her daring and flatter him by disobeying her husband's command and yielding to his wishes, took it, and I'm glad she did, for had she not we'd have been sunning ourselves in the Garden of Eden to this day, and been deprived of sweet cider and apple dumplings all our lives. When we think of that, instead of condemning so ancient and Christian an amusement, we can but applaud and encourage it.

Those who become acquainted as the worthy Wanderer and Miss Smith did have an illustrious example in the romantic history of the pretty Rebeka. The maidens of her day and city were in the habit of going outside the city-wall at even time for the same purpose, it seems, that our girls go to the parks and matinees nowadays. And you remember the servant of Abraham tarried by the well at sunset, for he knew the girls would be along directly, and sure enough, by-and-by Rebeka came tripping toward him, and they got acquainted in the most easy, off-hand manner, and, "as she was fair to look upon," he gave her earrings and bracelets (he was a drummer for a jewelry house, it appears), and she invited him home with her, and he actually went and made it all right with her big brother and the old lady by an astonishing exhibition of piety. And yet I never in my life heard either priest or people condemning her for forming the acquaintance of a stranger without an introduction. She was called one of the "mothers of Israel," and even St. Paul, who was a regular Frank Cushing, classed her with "the holy women of old." She was a leader of the "ton" in Israel, and if in those days they did not banish her from good society, why should we condemn the same conduct when we are so much more civilized, enlightened, and liberal in our views?

And, while we are on the subject, I'd like to ask if that interesting young man Samson did not get acquainted and even marry the Philistine girl without an introduction, and if Ruth and Boaz didn't do likewise?

That Shakespeare knew all about handkerchief flirtation we find by perusing "Othello." *Othello*, although tortured by doubts and fears, was not entirely bereft of reason until, you will remember, *Iago* began talking about *Desdemona's* handkerchief and *Cassio*, and then *Othello* grew as white as any one as black as he was could grow, and exclaimed: "She's been carrying on a handkerchief flirtation with him, has she? that settles it." And then he went and killed her, which is a warning to all females who marry Moors not to flirt.

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Oreana, the capital of Whitmore, still "survives the shock of ages," and the enterprising firm of Ruddock & Co. are doing a thriving business. They sell dry goods, groceries, hardware, patent medicines, and tobacco in its various forms; buy corn, oats, wheat and rye, and ship hogs—and if they do not only get rich, but also "well to live," it will be simply because they do not make enough money.

The farming people of this township are nearing the happy shore on the finishing side of the great ocean of corn gathering: but they find themselves somewhat like the whaling cruiser that went out fishing and did not catch as many as expected; they hunted for the golden ears, but many times did not find them, because the hill was not there, and when they did find them they were often too short at one end, not long enough at the other, and terribly deficient in the middle—and consequently they did not get so large a pile as they expected. But there is one consolation, the prices are better, business is on the up grade, and the track looks clear. But with this outlook men seem to begin to worship the Almighty Dollar more, and a neighbor is ready and on the alert to take the advantage of his needy fellow neighbor. But we are a hard set out here; we think that a fellow who will do such a thing, even though he may want to appear honorable and respectable in the community in which he lives, by honorable fair dealing—why, he will bear watching.

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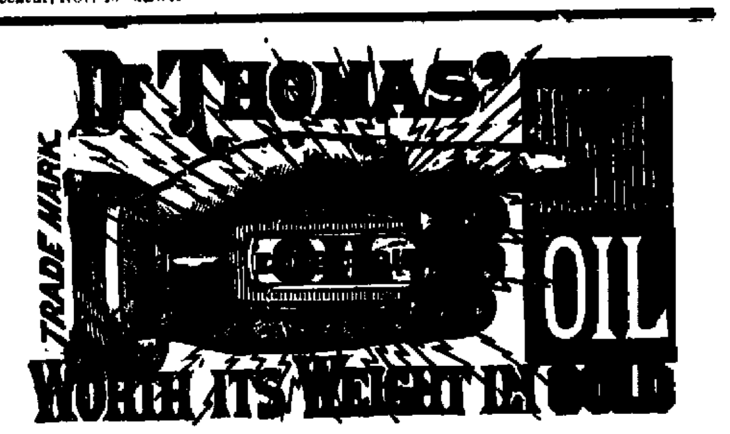
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Dec. 11—w3w*

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Estate of BARBARA HESS, deceased.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all persons having claims and demands against the estate of Barbara Hess, deceased, to present the same for adjudication and settlement at a regular term of the county court of Macon county to be holden at the court house, in the city of Decatur, on the third Monday of January, A. D. 1880, being the first day of said term.

Decatur, Ill., Nov. 27, 1879.

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Nov 27, w3w*

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Sept 4–w3m

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Public Notice

IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE DRAINage Commissioners of the township of Whitmore, county of Macon, and State of Illinois, will receive bids under seal up to noon of the 15th day of December, A. D. 1879, for the construction of a drain. The work is staked off in one-fourth mile sections as follows: Section 1 contains 1,610 yards; section 2, 2,665; sec. 3, 3,410; sec. 4, 3,000; sec. 5, 2,649; sec. 6, 2,074; sec. 7, 1,389; sec. 8, 2,014; sec. 9, 1,049; sec. 10, 1,229; sec. 11, 407. Said drain is to be constructed on the basis of one foot slant on each side to every foot in depth. All old drains are deducted out. Bidders are required to bid by the yard, and for each section separate.

Plans of said work are on file at J. C. Ruddock's & Co.'s store in Oreana, where the same may be seen, and where all bids must be deposited. The said commissioners reserve the right to reject any and all bids.

Dated at Oreana this 27th day of November, A. D. 1879.

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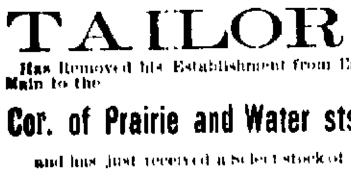
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A Conductor's Windfall.

Two of the conductors of this road (the New York, New Haven and Hartford) have recently closed their connection with it, one of them after about thirty years of service. These men—conductors—meet all sorts of people. It is some time since the story of one of Conductor McKinley's adventures on this road has been retold. "A many years ago," one night while he was taking up fares, a man without a ticket offered him a large bill, and he, as conductors are apt to do, took it along, saying he would return with the change. The purpose of these delays is to make a quiet study of the bill in the baggage car and see if it is all right. When he reached the baggage car with the bill, Mr. McKinley found what he had taken to be $100 was a bill for $1,000. He returned to the passenger and found he had shifted his seat. Telling him there was a mistake—that the bill was for $1,000—he was amazed to have the fellow repudiate the whole arrangement. He knew nothing of it, and insisted, and was supported by a friend's testimony, that he had a ticket and that it had been taken up. Finally Mr. McKinley went off with the bill, which, the next day, he turned in to the company with his explanation. It was deposited here in the Phœnix Bank, as a special deposit, and drew interest for several years, was never claimed, and finally was given to the conductor by the company. The only explanation was that some bank burglars were on the train; that one of them carelessly took out the wrong bill, and that they decided it was safer to lose $1,000 than to risk being arrested. Probably they thought he knew of the burglary. One story had it that this was a bill of the company's and that the operation was a trick of a "spotter" to catch this conductor stealing, but a company, managed as this one was in those days, would not go scattering $1,000 bills around even for the sake of tempting an honest man to be a thief.—*Springfield Republican.*

Cultivate Contentment

Burdette, in the Hawkeye.

Be contented, my son. You need not be satisfied with what you are; you don't want to live without ambition; so long as you live, strive to be something better and higher and stronger to-morrow than you are to-day, but don't worry; don't fret. Wear your ready-made clothes with the air of a prince, until you can do better; eat your 25-cent dinner with the manner of a man who is accustomed to fare sumptuously every day on course dinners, and likes this sort of a thing for a change. Keep the sunshine in your heart and it will shine out of your face. The world is always grateful to a sunny tempered man, just because he is good enough and gracious enough to live in it. Laugh, my son, if your stomach is so empty that you can not tell whether your pain is in your liver or your backbone; wear your hat jauntily if it is so full of holes that you can't see the grease and weather stains that cover it; speak cheerily, though you have to wear your overcoat every time your shirt goes to the laundry. It wont be an easy thing to do, right along; the days will come when a good indulgence in the "blues" would seem like Paradise, there will be hours when you would rather growl and wail than look pleasant; there will be times when, in spite of your strength and manhood and good resolutions, you will go away by yourself and groan and bury your face in your hands and cry like a girl; I know it, my son. But don't make a habit of it, and don't let any one see you do it. It is a dangerous luxury, son, and should only be indulged in at very long intervals and on rare occasions. Cultivate contentment; if you have no gloves, put your hands in your pockets; if your coat is out at the elbows, back up against the fence; if you have no hat, you will never become bald. And when prosperity comes—not if, but when—you will be prouder of your good nature in the dark days of adversity, my son, than you can be of all the honors and all the fame and position that prosperity and success can bring you. Never worry, son, don't fret; it will only make your face thin and your hair turn gray.

No Free Lunch There

Queen Victoria is said to be very unpopular at Brighton, on the ground that when there in the beginning of her reign she put a stop to a pleasing custom established by her royal uncles and predecessors. Under George IV and William IV, messengers, porters and others going to the pavilion were always sure of a free snack and a drop of beer in the royal "pantry." Victoria like a thrifty housewife, made an end of this and got furiously hissed for it in the streets.

Josh Billings If you can't git fine shows and a good educashun git the shows at the popular show store of L. L. Pennis. 22 d&wtf

The Woman Who Was Posted.

For once in the history of the Union Depot its roof has sheltered a woman who knew just where she wanted to go, the train she was to take, the hour for departure, the fare and the time of arrival. She appeared to be about forty-five years of age, and she had flat feet, a peaked nose, and a voice that didn't admit of any argument. No notice might have been taken of her among the scores of others had she not inquired the way to the waiting-room, and added, "Thank ye, though it's your business to answer all questions! That's all I want to ask of you, and you can continue your promenade!"

"Going on the train?" queried the officer.

"Would I lug a big carpet-bag down here and stand around in the cold if I wasn't?" she sharply answered.

"Going South, I s'pose?" he queried, as she moved away.

"S'pose away, then!" she snapped, as she lifted her satchel. Entering the ladies' waiting room, she found the seats all taken. A portly man, reading a paper, and taking a heap of comfort, occupied one of the seats, and halting before him, she dropped her satchel with an awful thud, and said:

"Now you git right outer here! This place is for ladies, and you are a great big, fat man, and ortor be ashamed of yourself for crowding in among us!"

"I—ah—ah——!" he began, when she interrupted:

"Then stand up! My legs are tired walking down here, and I'm not going to stand around while you sit down!"

"Certainly—allow me—ah—yes!" he stammered, as he rose up to give her a seat.

"That's more man-like," she growled, as she settled down, "but it seems to me that if I was you I'd feel sort o' sneaking like in here! The more I see of fat men, the worst I hate 'em."

The fat man had a wife and two children in there, but he wasn't a minute in getting through the door. For the next fifteen minutes the old lady sat up very erect and stared around her, and then started out to get her ticket, lugging her satchel on her hip. A boot-black aspied her and yelled out

"Shell I carry yer baggage-wagon fer yer, Aunt Sary?"

"Boy!" she replied as she dropped her satchel and reached for his collar, "I haven't got any baggage-wagon, and in the next place, I'm not Aunt Sary to anybody! If you want your heels jerked over the roof of this depot, you just give me the least of sass!"

"'Scuse me, but don't pinch so hard," said the boy, and he squirmed out of her clutch and retreated a safe distance to look at her and rejoice that he was not her son.

She walked up to the ticket window, put down a lot of silver, and said:

"I want a ticket to Jackson, and I don't want any talk about it. I know why I'm going, how long I want to stay, and who I'm going to see!"

Her ticket was handed her without a word, and as she passed on to the gate, she said to the official there:

"'Tend right to your business! There is no occasion for your asking where I am going, for I've got a ticket!"

"Pass on, madam," replied.

"Don't try to flatter me!" she called back. Your business is to see that passengers git on the right train, and the less you madam around, the better it will be for you."

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A good barber is wanted at [illegible] says the [illegible]

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THE gas company at [illegible] decided to reduce the price of [illegible] per 1,000 feet, and allow a discount [illegible] per cent on bills paid before the 10th of each month

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Before adjourning yesterday the board of supervisors instructed State's Attorney Buckingham to enter suit against Christian county for the collection of the costs in Newton Cattons trial due this county amounting to something less than $[illegible]

[illegible]

A day or two since the boiler in the REPUBLICAN office [illegible] and work the paper off [illegible] the fuel in Decatur failed [illegible] the people almost swore the town [illegible] because the REPUBLICAN came not forth

[illegible] case of George Bethlomae vs. The Philip Best Brewing Co. is pending in the United States Circuit Court in Eastern Wisconsin. The cause of the action is alleged infringement on a patent valve [illegible] The plaintiff was represented by [illegible] and the defendants by Attorney [illegible] of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

We copy below from Wednesday's [illegible] Decatur REPUBLICAN a notice of Abel & Locke's sale of matting for the [illegible]

[illegible]

A House of Prayer.

Rev. Walter H. Moore, Rector and Wm. J. Quinlan, J. B. Dinges and J. F. Priest committee of St. John's church have issued a circular concerning the recent purchase of the old Rolling Mill Chapel lately owned by the Baptist congregation. As the matter is of considerable importance to the people of the Fifth Ward as well as the general public we present the following extracts from the circular:

The building known as The Rolling Mill Chapel will be opened for Sunday School and regular services on Sunday Dec. 7th 1879 if it please God. It has been purchased and refitted by the congregation of St. John's Church in this city. It is not intended however, to make it a branch or dependency of that church [illegible] It is hoped and intended that it shall be a House of Prayer for the residents of the eastern portion of the city. Very many Christian people in Decatur have long lamented that this building should have been left so long deserted and voiceless. The different congregations of the city have been so much engrossed with their own cares and anxieties that they have not been able to take up the work and care for this Chapel. It has seemed a called duty for any who could to engage in Christian work in this section. In the Providence of God this call has come to us and the way has been opened to enter upon the work. [illegible]

[illegible]

The Rev. W. H. Moore, the present Rector of St. John's Church will act as the pastor of the Chapel until such time as a minister can be procured for its sole charge. He will hold himself ready to respond at any time to all calls for pastoral services, especially in all times of sickness, trouble or other adversity.

Facts From Forsyth.

The [illegible] disagreeable weather makes one feel rather dull and stupid.

If the weather continues favorable most of the farmers will finish corn shucking this week.

[illegible]

[illegible]

Forsyth Dec. [illegible]

[illegible] Quincy.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Cloaks from $2 up to $20.00

If you want a Stylish Cloak [illegible] call on

[illegible] CHERMANN

Nov [illegible]-d&wtf No. 10 Merchant st.

To the Public

You can be supplied with oversize [illegible] at Barber & Baker's [illegible] Nov26d&wtf

[illegible]

Reduction

Of ten cents [illegible] on our entire stock of Men's Underwear [illegible] undershirt and every pair of drawers—regardless of kind, quality or price—at 10 cents [illegible] on them and at which they have been sold heretofore. [illegible] CHEAP STORE

MACON COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT.

December Term, 1879

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 3

Court met at 1 30 p. m.

COMMON LAW DOCKET

Franklin Priest vs. Harl P. Christie and Susan E. Christie, assumpsit judgment by agreement against defendants for $100 and costs.

INDICTED

At 2 p. m. the grand jury entered the court room, and presented to the court true bills against the following named parties for the offenses named:

James McGee for enticing away an unmarried woman.

John A. McCauley for larceny.

Joseph Danforth for burglary and larceny. Danforth is the party who is charged with burglarizing Dan W. Jones' room and taking his gold sleeve buttons and Peter S. [illegible] overcoat.

Charles C. Davis, Mrs. May Howard and [illegible] May for keeping a house of ill fame. Also for selling intoxicating liquors without a license. A bench warrant was immediately issued for the [illegible] Constable Davis parties and Sheriff Forstmyer brought them into court from Justice Wood's office where they were standing a trial for the same offenses as named in the indictments. The bail of each of the prisoners in the house [illegible] was fixed at $500 [illegible] In default of the $1500 bail the prisoners were given apartments in the county jail, where unless they obtain acceptable security they will remain until Dec. [illegible] when the criminal docket will be called.

All other parties indicted are in jail.

THURSDAY, DEC. 4

Court convened at 8.30 a. m. and disposed of cases as follows:

COMMON LAW DOCKET

Jacob Lessler vs. Elwood & Co. attachment dismissed by plaintiff.

[illegible] Humphreys vs. Edward Houston trespass continued with alias.

Robert A. Campbell et al vs. Joshua Burack assumpsit continued.

John W. [illegible] vs. I., D. & S. R. R. Co. appellant appeal dismissed as per agreement on file.

Bond & Allendice vs. Jacob Stutsman, assumpsit continued at cost of defendant.

City of Decatur vs. Decatur Horse Railway and Carrying Co., assumpsit demurrer to declaration.

Edwin B. Hale executor, vs. Jonathan Fleming et al. distress for rent dismissed as per agreement on file.

Bank of Elkton of Elkton Ky. vs. George W. Baker attachment dismissed by plaintiff.

G. M. Bruce vs. Berry H. Cassell assumpsit default court to assess damages.

W. C. Davis & Co. vs. Wm. A. Dennis, [illegible] default court to [illegible]

[illegible] McClellan and H. W. Waggoner vs. [illegible] Clark assumpsit default, court [illegible]

[illegible]

CHANCERY DOCKET

[illegible]

Court adjourned to 8.30 [illegible] Friday morning.

FRIDAY, DEC. 5

Court convened at 8.30 a. m. pursuant to adjournment.

CHANCERY DOCKET

Sidney [illegible] Bonesteel vs. Simon P. Hey [illegible] report [illegible] approved.

Evaline Bowen et al. vs. Catherine Whitsel [illegible] proof of publication [illegible]

Wm. [illegible] vs. [illegible] Rya [illegible] proof of publication [illegible]

[illegible] vs. W. H. Hopkins [illegible] dismissed as per agreement [illegible] of defendants.

COMMON LAW DOCKET

City of Decatur vs. Decatur Horse Railway and Carrying Co. demurrer [illegible]

[illegible]

Court assessed damages in [illegible] Cassell [illegible] at $[illegible]

Maggie Walsh vs. John H. Maxey and Edward Flynn trespass trial by jury pending.

"Can't Keep House Without It"

Last evening we received the following written in a [illegible] hand on a postal card. [illegible]

[illegible] Dec. [illegible]

Messrs. HAMSHER & MOSSER [illegible] [illegible] F. H. MAYER

RAILROAD MATTERS.

Items Concerning Various Roads Picked Up Here and There.

A. E. Schrader, traffic manager of the Illinois Midland Road, says that he has contracted with the Erie Car Company for 200 new box cars, which are to be delivered at the rate of twenty-five cars per week, commencing with December 1.

Mr. Henry L. Seeley of Peoria, a locomotive engineer on the C., R. I. & P. Railroad, had the misfortune to have his jaw broken in a railroad accident some time since and in sneezing a day or two ago his jaw became again misplaced and now he has to be fed through a silver tube.

Russell Sage denies that the purchase of the Vanderbilt stock is a stock jobbing transaction, and says it was brought about because the Wabash railroads wanted communication with the seaboard which Mr. Vanderbilt gave them. These railroads will hereafter be represented in the Central direction—in fact they will be one concern retaining at the same time their individuality. It is probable that a reduction of fares and freights will be brought about.

AN IRON TIE

An improved iron railroad tie is now proposed—a device which dispenses with all spikes, bolts, nuts or fish plates, and drilling or punching the rails, avoiding fractures from such causes. According to this each tie is recessed under its rails, and along the bottom of the recess, wedge shaped pieces are cast transversely at the sides of each recess are creosoted blocks which form a cushion and a fulcrum for two clamps which grasp the flange and web of the rail above, bearing upon opposite faces of the wedge below the weight of the train forces the clamp upon the wedge, spreads them at the bottom and grips the rail. Durability is one of the chief advantages claimed for this device.

SIGNS OF NEW LIFE

The Mattoon *Journal* of the present week, says:

The work of consolidating the interests of the P., D. & D. railroad and the D., M. & S. road is progressing with great rapidity. Superintendent Cobleigh has already a construction train on the line of the road, righting up the track and putting it in proper condition for the winter business. Signs of revived life are everywhere to be seen along the line, and the people generally welcome the new administration. Ticket agent Rupert has just made a visit to all of the offices on the line of the road and inaugurated a new and correct system in the management of the ticket business which will greatly facilitate and simplify the conduct of this branch of the service. Altogether we predict a prosperous era for the consolidated road.

Talking Over Two Thousand Miles.

By kindness of Manager John Getty of the Decatur W. U. T. office and the Telephone Exchange we are permitted to make the following clipping from the *Journal of Telegraphy* in his possession:

The Bethlehem (Pa.) *Times* of a recent date says: Robert A. Packer, Superintendent of the Pennsylvania and New York railroad is at present hunting with a party of gentlemen in the vicinity of North Pond in Nebraska. Yesterday he for two hours conversed pleasantly with his wife and friends at Sayre, his brother at Mauch Chunk and friends along the line. The medium was the Railroad and Western Union wire and Edison's telephone. At the [illegible] in this place connection was made with the Eastern & Amboy wire, and at Perth Amboy with a Western Union wire and thence to Chicago and North Bend. The total distance was about 2,000 miles and every whisper was audible.

He Must Have It

The following is from a former resident of this city and is a fair specimen of letters we receive from subscribers in different parts of the country almost daily:

ST. AUGUSTINE ILL., Nov. 28 '79.

MESSRS. EDITORS: The weekly REPUBLICAN continues to be a welcome visitor for which we feel very thankful [illegible] though it sometimes brings us sad news yet we could not well do without it so enclosed we send you $2.00 please let us know if you get it all right. The drouth affected the crops in this neighborhood very badly. Otherwise we are doing as well as could be expected.

Respectfully yours, J. P. [illegible]

Church Festival

The ladies of [illegible] church in [illegible] Mound township will give a festival on Christmas night the proceeds of which will be devoted to the purchase of an organ for the church. Oysters and other choice edibles will be served in abundance at reasonable rates. Admission free.

Coal! Coal! Coal!

Anthracite and Bituminous. Sole agent for the sale of Delaware & Hudson Canal Co. Lackawanna Coal and sole agent for sale of Cumberland Blossburg Coal. Orders left with Ashby & Andress, A. H. Park, Clay Dempsey's cigar store, or by mail promptly attended to. Yard and office adjoining Decatur Furniture Factory. J. R. [illegible]

Sept6 d&w4m

Watches and Jewelry.

A large invoice of watches, clocks and jewelry, just received. These goods are carefully selected from the best and latest styles. All goods warranted as represented or money refunded. Prices as low as the lowest for first class goods.

W. W. SCHNDER [illegible]

Opp. P. O. with J. J. Hubbard druggist

[illegible] d&wtf

Y. M. C. A.

November Report.

To the Executive Committee of the Young Men's Christian Association of Decatur, Ill.:

DEAR BRETHREN: The record of another month's labor for the Master has been made. May he richly bless all done in accordance with His will, and render powerless for evil our mistakes, omissions of duty, and sins.

The annual week of prayer for young men and Young Men's Christian Associations was appropriately observed. The work and needs of the International Committee were presented and a collection amounting to five dollars was raised for the benefit of the committee. This amount with the Baltimore subscription for the International work, has been forwarded to the proper officer and a receipt for the same received.

The invitation of Rev. W. H. Prestley to use the Presbyterian church for our evening services was gladly accepted, and five meetings of interest and profit were enjoyed there. In compliance with a request by the association, nine of the pastors of the city preached sermons to young men. We trust that the fruits of the week's meetings will be souls saved from death.

The association meetings of November were as follows: Daily prayer meetings, 2[illegible]; cottage prayer meetings, 8; week of prayer services, 5; Gospel meetings, 5; [illegible] meetings, 5; Bible study, 4; prayer meetings (Tuesday evening), 3; executive committee, 2; business meetings, 2—total, 5[illegible]; total attendance, about 1200.

During the month 3 new members were enrolled, 58 visitors were received at the rooms, 160 papers and tracts were given away, 57[illegible] invitations to attend church and association meetings were distributed, number of poor furnished with clothing, 16; number furnished with groceries, 3; number of nights lodging furnished, 3; number of meals furnished, 8; number furnished with medicine, 2; number visits to sick, 5; number serving as watchers with the sick, 2.

It is important that the chairmen of the different committees prepare their reports in time to submit the same at the annual meeting which is to be held four weeks from this evening.

I would recommend that a competent director be secured if possible, to give instructions to those availing themselves of the privileges of the gymnasium.

With an earnest desire for the prosperity of all christian work, I am your co-laborer, J. J. DAVIS Gen'l Sec.

A Starchy Meeting

An informal meeting of citizens was held at Warren & Durfee's real estate office last (Friday) evening for the purpose of taking action with reference to a proposition made by a number of Chicago capitalists through a Mr. Taylor, to establish a large starch factory here within the next thirty days. A. F. Hill, Hon. B. K. Durfee, John Ulrich, Jason Rogers, Dr. O. F. Parker, J. Millikin, John Hatfield, Charles L. Griswold, J. J. Peddecord, H. B. Durfee, J. A. Buckingham and others were present. The letter received by Mr. Hill which brought the gentlemen together is merely one of inquiry, asking about Decatur's supply of coal, water, railroad facilities, production of corn in the county, etc., etc. The letter was generally discussed, but no action was taken except that Mr. Hill was instructed to answer the letter inviting the location of the factory here.—On the receipt of another letter from Mr. Taylor doubtless Decatur will know what to do with regard to this important matter.

BUCKLEN'S ARNICA SALVE

The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Tetter, Chapped hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all kinds of skin eruptions. This Salve is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction in every case or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box.

Longfellow's Works.

The Riverside Press, Cambridge, has begun the issue of a magnificent edition of Longfellow's Poems in numbers to be completed in 28 or thirty parts and to be supplied only to subscribers. The work is one of the most elegant issued by the celebrated Riverside press which is saying a good deal. Mrs. Curtis is now canvassing the city for subscribers and we sincerely trust that she may meet with unbounded success as the work is one of the most worthy that has ever been presented to our citizens.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Librarian's Report for November

No. of books loaned	3,140
Av. No. [illegible]	181
No. of visitors registered	5,300
Av. No. daily	221
Total number borrowers registered	3,257
Fines, etc. collected	$4 24

R. L. EVANS, Librarian.

Bonds Registered.

The Springfield *Register* of to-day says: "The State Auditor yesterday registered $5,000 Macon county funding bonds."

DIED.

[illegible] of Decatur at noon, on Thursday, Dec. 4th 1879, MRS. FRANCES [illegible] in the 78th year of her age.

Deceased [illegible] Mr. Robert R. [illegible] city.

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TELEGRAPHIC

EXCITING SCENE AT LOS PINOS.

DENVER, Dec 8—Specials to the *Tribune* from Los Pinos represent that Saturday witnessed some decidedly animated occurrences at the commissioners' meeting After Jack had declined to inform the commissioners what Indians had been concerned in the White river massacre, the Indians retired to Ouray's house to debate what course to pursue. No Indian appeared at the Agency until Saturday but seem to have been engaged at Ouray's in conducting the wildest dances and in making fiery speeches A man was sent from the Agency to Ouray's with feed for the horses of the Indians, and discovered from the noise on the inside that the Indians were greatly excited. What he saw of them were bedecked in feathers and war paint, and he was so frightened that he turned back and didn't deliver the hay. Saturday at 12 o'clock the Utes came into the Agency and took seats inside of the Agency building, Jack, Colorow, twelve other White river Utes and, of course, Ouray being among the Indians present When the Indians and commissioners had taken their seats Gen. Hatch addressed the Indians setting forth the full demand of the commission "To-day," he said, "is your last chance We will wait no longer We want your final answer, and we want no evasions.' A list of the Utes charged by the Agency women with taking part in the massacre was then read, and the question put by Hatch, 'Will you surrender the men whose names are in this paper, to be tried and the guilty punished and the innocent acquitted?' The question was put twice, and after consultation an evasive answer was returned both times When the question was repeated a third time, Ouray replied without consulting the other Utes, "How do we know that these Indians you name where at White river at the time of the massacre? Or, even if they were there, we do not know they were concerned in it. These women mentioned names which came first to their lips, whether they knew them to be or not. We cannot depend on what they say" "That is what we depend on,' said Hatch

Mr Adams then addressed the Indians, making a speech of over an hour's duration, saying, among other things, that the Commissioners did not want to punish Colorow Jack and the others that took part in the cowardly Thornburgh fight, but the cowardly dogs who participated in the massacre at the Agency, closing by saying, "We want those Utes and we will have them.' The Indians held a consultation in a low tone of voice among themselves, but he did not seem inclined to reply at all, when Hatch again rose and asked if the guilty of the Indians were to be surrendered, saying he had made the last appeal. No one moved or spoke for a few moments when Colorow lighted a big pipe—"The Pipe of Peace." Each individual present drew his knife and laid it on his knee, the question of peace or war being the one pending. Colorow then passed the pipe to the next man without smoking and it went round, when the circle was finished he came to his feet, straightened up to his full height, pulled his belt around until the knife sheath was in front, pulled his knife out, threw it with force on the floors,himing and ringing,instantly every Indian present dropped their hands to the belt and laid one hand on his knife or pistol. The whites did the same and the two parties stood fronting and defying each for some moments, each waiting for the other to make a forward move. There were but six white men, while there were 25 Indians in the room and 15 soldiers in the adjoining room. Finally Ouray spoke "We cannot deliver up to you those Indians unless they are tried in Washington, must not be tried in Colorado The Colorado people are all our enemies,and to give them up to be tried in this state would be to surrender them to be hanged. We will bring those twelve men here for you to see, and then whom you decide guilty shall be taken to Washington and the President shall determine their guilt or innocence Douglass will have to go We know he was in the White River trouble, and you shall decide who else Upon this condition and no other will we surrender the guilty Indians." This was said with great arrogance and boldness Ouray said it would take about a week to bring the men in Hatch told him he had accepted the proposition so far as bringing in the participants in the massacre, but as for taking them to Washington, he had to telegraph for permission to Secretary Schurz Colorow and Jack were immediately despatched to bring in the twelve named, including Douglass and Persule saying they would be back in five days. After they had taken their departure Ouray again spoke, reiterating his statement that the Utes could not get justice in Colorado they could only get it in Washington You, there,(meaning Hatch Adams and the legal advisors)are all my enemies. I am one against three. You are all Colorado and Mexico men, and a French devil I have not one friend among you You will not give me justice, and that is why I want to go to Washington, where I can have at least one friend

DENVER, Dec. 8.—A special to the *Tribune* from Los Pinos, dated the 7th, says To-day's developments prove that the casting of his knife upon the floor by Colorow expressed his vote for war but the act of the other Indians retaining their knives overpowered his vote It was noticed that as soon as it was perceived that no other Indians wished to follow the example of Colorow, two Utes arose from their seats in the house, went out and began talking to Indians outside, who immediately mounted their horses and rode away They had evidently been waiting for a signal which would call them to arms, and at no time were any of them distant a hundred feet from the court room Every Ute at the agency carried with him more arms than any of the soldiers of the regular army could muster—a Winchester rifle and two revolver being about the allowance of each man.

Yesterday brought out the fact that Ouray's respect for the president is due to his thinking that the great father is elected to rule over the whole world In one of his speeches he made that assertion, and Mr. Townsend, Interpreter, not exactly understanding what he meant by it, repeated the question, his answer showing the fact plainly that he considered Washington the centre of the universe and President Hayes ruler of all nations He has not been undeceived and will not be by this commission, as it is now plain his friendship for the whites is assumed for policy, and he thinks if necessary the armies of the world could be called to crush his tribe.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The advisory committee of republican senators, consisting of Morrill, Conkling, Hamlin, McMillan, Booth, Kirkwood, Logan and Carpenter, have decided to recommend that the party in the senate commit itself to the policy of non-action in regard to any and all legislation affecting the currency, whether gold, greenbacks or silver, during the present session. The committee are unanimous with the exception of Morrill, who will recommend that greenbacks be divested of their legal tender power, and that some provision be made for their retirement.

Representative Fort had another interview with the president yesterday in relation to the latter's recommendation concerning greenbacks, and Fort's adverse resolution now pending before the house committee on banking and currency Particular reference was made to apparently conflicting statements published in regard to their former interview, and the president assured Gen. Fort that there was really no essential difference between them in the understanding of the purport of the interview, and reiterated that although he adhered to the financial recommendations of his message, was responsible for them and still believed in them, he would nevertheless not feel aggrieved in the least by Gen Fort continuing to press the resolution in question, nor by the republicans adopting it if the party disagreed with him.

Senator Blaine, in an interview yesterday, said he would be compelled to vote against Sherman's recommendation that the legal tender clause be stricken from the greenbacks, as he thought it would work great injustice to the majority of the people of the country. He thought it best to have each banker in the country redeem in coin as soon as there was sufficient accumulation of it. He would let the legal tenders alone at present, rather than provoke an angry financial excitement now when the country is awakening from business lethargy.

Your Love's Age.

There is a good deal of amusement in the following table of figures. It will enable you to tell how old young ladies are. Just hand this to a young lady, and request her to tell in which column or columns her age is contained, add together the figures at the top of the columns in which her age is found, and you have the great secret. Thus, suppose her age is 17, you find that number in the first and fifth columns, add the first figures of these two columns Here is the magic table:

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LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Post-office, at Decatur, Macon co, Illinois, Dec 10, 1879.

Burleigh Mrs A F
Christy J E
Coombs Nelson C
Edwards Miss Mollie
Hirst Abe
Halloran James
Jones S J
Mahan Robert
Powles Miss Ida
Parks, Mrs Mattie C
Steele Joseph R.
Tietrow Jacob
Varner Aaron
Worth John
Childs Henry Franklin
Crow Miss Nellie
Day J H
Elliott Malon L
Harris Geo W
Hockaday Miss Mira
Lord J B
Neyhard J J
Palmer Leonard J
Reels Wm
Editor Telegraph
Thomas Mrs M E
Watson James M

R P. LYTLE, P M

WE certainly have the most complete line of novelties and all other goods in our line suitable for presents you ever saw. We have given unusual attention to a Christmas line of goods this year — Call in and look at our stock and get our prices. CURTIS & EWING.

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EDUCATIONAL COLUMN.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS: All subject matter intended for this column should be addressed to I. E. Brown or Miss M. F. Fulton, Decatur, or J. Trainer, Blue Mound, Ill.]

TEACHERS' MEETING

DECATUR, ILL., Dec 6, 1879

Institute opened at 1.30 p m Select reading by Miss Montgomery Exercise in grammar by Mr Trainer. A very interesting exercise was conducted by Mr Philbrook—subject, "The Metric System" Resignation of Miss M. F Fulton as assistant editor of the Educational column accepted, and Miss Patterson elected to fill the vacancy

Programme for January is follows

Causes and Events of Revolution to 1777—J E. Brown and E A Morgan

Participle, analysis of—E. B Smith and S. McBride

Practical Illustrations of School Exercises—Opened by Miss E E Lowry

On motion adjourned

S McBRIDE, Sec

A LESSON ON THE NOUN.

The following is from the pen of our friend, F P Adams, of Danville, Ind

a My *conscience!* how the *man* pulls

b. *Words* that have been such a *power*, can they by *repetition* wane?

c The *man* being devoted to an idea, an excellent *characteristic*, we were inspired with greater hope

d Who steals my purse, steals trash. *Shakespeare*.

e. We stopped at *Smith's*, the *farmer*.

f. He desired to be a distinguished *orator*

g. The *gentleman's* being a *scholar*, was an advantage to him.

h He was thought to be an honest *man*

i Conscience makes *men cowards*.

j They assailed *John*, the *butcher*.

k We heard of the *boy* coming to town

l They decided to be temperate, a *revolution* soon broken.

a "Conscience' is a noun, com, 3rd sing, neut, nom, absolute by exclamation R V Harvey.

"Man' is a noun, com, 3d sing., masc nom, subject of "pulls" R. I

b "Words' is a noun, com, 3rd plu, neut, nom, absol. by pleonasm R. V.

"Power" is a noun, com, 2d sing, neut nom, pred of "have been' referring to the same thing as that Holbrook.

"Repetition' is a noun, com, 3d sing, neut, obj, obj of "of." Harvey

c "Shakespeare' is a noun, com., 3rd sing, masc, nom, absol by inscription Harvey.

d "Man" is a noun, com, 3rd sing, masc, nom, absol, with the part. 'being devoted'

"Characteristic" is a noun, com, 3rd sing, neut, nom, in apposition with preceding phrase

e Smith's is a noun, prop, 3rd sing., masc, poss, limits "house," understood

"Farmer" is a noun, com, 3rd sing, masc, poss., in apposition with 'Smith's,' the sign of possession being omitted

f. "Orator" is a noun, com, 3rd sing, masc, nom, ped of the verb "to be" Holbrook N B—The subject of the infin "he" is in the nom case, the pred is therefore in same case

g. "Gentleman's" is a noun, com, 3rd sing., masc., poss, lim, "being" Harvey

"Scholar" is a noun, com., 3rd sing, marc, nom., pred. of "being," referring to the same thing as its possessive subject, "gentleman's." Rule—When a part, having the construction of a and limited by a possessive is followed by a predicate noun or pronoun, the latter is in the nominative case

h "Man" is a noun., com, 3rd sing, masc., nom, pred of the infin "to be" subject "he" It will be seen that the subject of the infinitive is the same as the subject of the finite verb on which the infin. depends, and is consequently in the nominative case, therefore the predicate of the infinitive is in the nominative case

i "Men" is a noun, com, 3rd plural, masc, obj, subject of the infinitive "to be" understood Rule—The subject of an infinitive, when not the same as the subject of the finite verb on which the infinitive depends, is in the objective case.

"Cowards' is a noun, com, 3rd plural, masc, objective in the predicate, with infinitive "to be" understood Rule—The predicate noun, or pronoun, is in the same case as the subject

j. 'John" is a noun, proper, 3rd sing, masc, obj, obj of "assailed" Harvey

'Butcher' is a noun, com, 3rd singular, masc., obj in apposition with 'John Harvey

k 'Boy' is a noun, com, 3d singular, masc, obj by enallage for the poss limits part coming. Remark—Enallage is a figure by which one form of a word is used for another, thus, the objective *boy* for the poss boys

l "Resolution' is a noun, com sing, neut, nom in apposition with the preceding sentence Remark—A noun may be in apposition with a noun, a pronoun, a phrase (see parsing of the 8th word above) or a sentence

It is impossible to represent a real recitation of a live, magnetic teacher I have here given the conclusions likely to be reached in the discussion of these words. But the discussions themselves are the pith of the recitation It is through them that the vigor and vivacity of a recitation must be acquired and sustained There should be no snubbing of pupils for their opinions The true teacher welcomes differences of opinion and kindly utilizes them to bring out the logical facts

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FLOUR—Red wheat selling per hundred lbs	2.75
WHEAT	1 25
CORN MEAL White selling	45@00
" " —Yellow "	.50
SHORTS—Per hundred, selling	.75
CORN—New	.18
OATS	20@28
Rye,	07
FLAXSEED—Per bushel	1 25

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POTATOES	60
BUTTER -Per lb	20
EGGS—Per dozen	20
LARD—Selling	8
SIDE-BACON —Selling	9
HAMS—Selling	12½
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" TURKEYS—Per pound,	10
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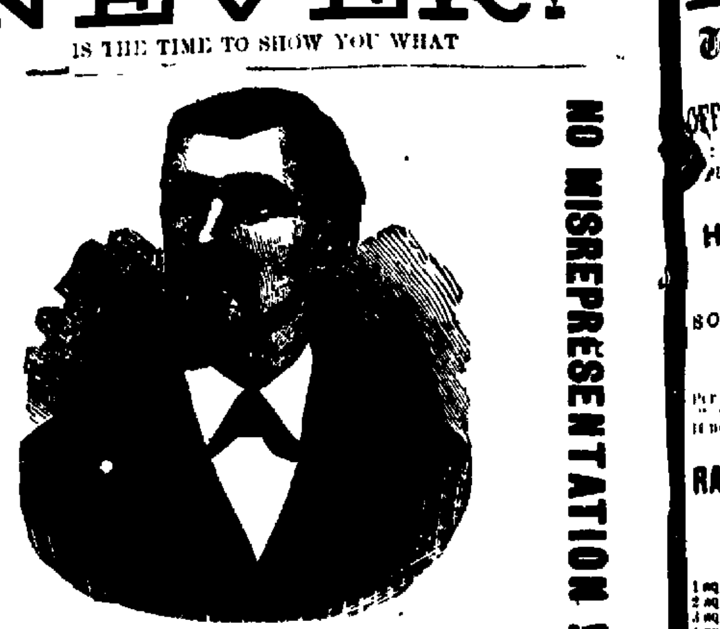
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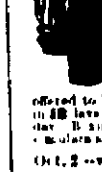
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